



Endless Enemies:

THE MAKING OF AN UNFRIENDLY WORLD

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"Jonathan Kwitny writes about the world with great care, acute intelligence, and unsurpassed sensitivity. He is, quite simply, one of the best."

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"In the new generation of investigative writers, Kwitny is a star. He addresses himself to the most pressing moral questions of our time and makes them vital and compelling."

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This book is for all those Americans who are asking:

- ◇ Is it really necessary for the United States, the great democracy, to support tyrants around the world?
- ◇ Must we intervene in every conflict, laying our national pride on the line in places we've scarcely heard of?
- ◇ Why, decade after decade, are we in constant peril of war with a seemingly unending list of enemies?

Addressed not to the foreign-policy "establishment" but to ordinary citizens with a sincere and practical concern, *Endless Enemies* shows dramatically that our behavior in the world, no matter who is president, is out of control. We waste billions and spend lives, and almost always our interventions work out badly. We ruin the countries we go to help—destroying the very values we intervene to secure—and we corrupt ourselves in the process.

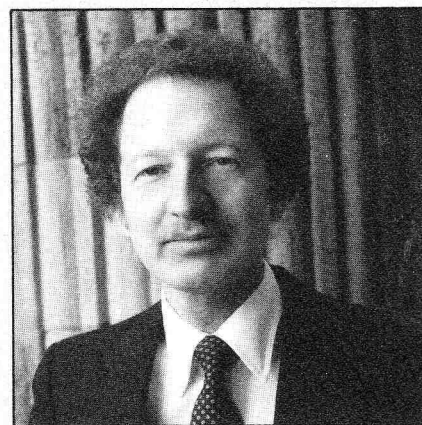
It is the same for the Soviet Union. Superpower intervention does not work.

Let us learn from our mistakes... but also from our successes, says Jonathan Kwitny, noted correspondent for the *Wall Street Journal*. In penetrating chapters that draw on his firsthand experience all over the world, he exposes the baneful consequences of fear-based foreign policy—in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Central America, the Middle East, and at home. (The revelations about the way the giant corporations, the unions, the

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banks, and the CIA behave abroad are shocking—and news-making.) But he also shows how, when we keep our calm and act according to our nation's fundamental principles, the results are often exceedingly favorable. Thus, our hope for the future lies in the strengths that have sustained us in the past.

Endless Enemies is not some dry treatise. It is full of people and places and stories. It is written simply, humanely, with unassuming moral clarity. It is perhaps the most American book, in the best sense of the word, to come along in years, and potentially the most influential.



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JONATHAN KWITNY, a *Wall Street Journal* reporter for thirteen years, is one of America's foremost journalists and holds the honor medal for career achievement from the University of Missouri School of Journalism. His reporting exposed Reagan adviser Richard Allen's conflicts of interest, leading to his resignation, and forced the resignation of Lynn Helms, Reagan's Federal Aviation Administrator, revealing him as a specialist in bankrupting companies for profit. Mr. Kwitny has lived or traveled in more than eighty countries. A native of Indianapolis, he works from the *Journal's* New York bureau.

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"This book should blast America's postwar foreign policy out of the water. Kwitny shows—no, better, he *proves*—that American corporations, banking firms, CIA agents, and diplomats are, legally *and* illegally, hard at work to put the rest of the world in economic and military vassalage, all in the name of 'fighting Communism' and 'meeting the Soviet challenge.'

"And the result is that we are creating a world not in the image of the U.S. but its mirror image: not free but enslaved, not democratic but authoritarian, not economically boisterous but economically stagnant.

"Unless they willfully ignore it, I don't see how this book can fail to shake the State Department from its foggy top to its Foggy Bottom."

—KIRKPATRICK SALE,
author of *Power Shift*
and *Human Scale*

"*ENDLESS ENEMIES* could not be more timely. With inspired common sense, it shows how U.S. foreign policy has been driven by arrogance, naïveté, and corporate greed, costing us billions of dollars and the lives of our youth. Its simple, conservative prescription could rescue our nation and our world."

—REP. PATRICIA SCHROEDER

"*In chapter and verse*, Kwitny reveals the mindlessness and dangers of our foreign policy. The sequence on Grenada is especially astonishing—something we never hear on the six o'clock news."

—STUDS TERKEL,
author of *Working*

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