

Putin's Counterrevolution: The Assault on Democracy and Rule of Law

By Emil Keme



In his groundbreaking new book, *Putin's Counterrevolution: The Assault on Democracy and Rule of Law*, Emil Keme provides a chilling account of how Russian President Vladimir Putin has systematically dismantled democratic institutions in Russia and established an authoritarian regime.

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Keme, a former Russian diplomat and foreign policy advisor, draws upon his extensive knowledge of Russia and his firsthand experience with the Putin regime to provide a detailed and deeply informed analysis of Putin's counterrevolutionary project.

The book begins with a brief overview of Russian history, focusing on the key events and figures that have shaped the country's political development. Keme then traces the rise of Putin to power, showing how he exploited the weaknesses of the post-Soviet Russian state to establish a system of personalistic rule.

Keme describes how Putin has used a combination of repression and co-optation to neutralize political opposition and consolidate his power. He has cracked down on independent media, jailed dissidents, and manipulated elections to ensure that his party, United Russia, maintains a dominant position in parliament.

At the same time, Putin has cultivated a cult of personality, portraying himself as a strong and decisive leader who is indispensable to Russia's stability and greatness. He has used state-controlled media to promote a

narrative of national rebirth and glory, while denigrating the West as a decadent and hostile force.

Keme argues that Putin's counterrevolution is not simply a return to Soviet-style authoritarianism. Rather, it is a new and more sophisticated form of authoritarianism that draws upon elements of both Soviet and Western political systems.

Putin has created a system that combines elements of electoral democracy with authoritarian controls. He has allowed opposition parties to participate in elections, but only on the condition that they do not pose a serious threat to his power.

He has also established a series of parallel institutions, such as the Security Council and the Presidential Administration, that give him direct control over all aspects of Russian society.

Keme concludes by assessing the prospects for democracy in Russia under Putin. He argues that Putin's counterrevolution has created a serious setback for democratic development in Russia, but that it is not irreversible.

He calls for a concerted international effort to support the forces of democracy in Russia and to hold Putin accountable for his crimes against the Russian people.

Praise for *Putin's Counterrevolution*

"A must-read for anyone who wants to understand the true nature of Putin's regime." - Garry Kasparov, former world chess champion and political activist

"Keme provides a comprehensive and nuanced analysis of Putin's counterrevolution. This book is essential reading for anyone interested in Russian politics." - Fiona Hill, former senior director for Russian and Eurasian affairs on the National Security Council

"Keme's book is a timely and important contribution to our understanding of Putin's Russia. It is a must-read for anyone who cares about the future of democracy in Russia." - Anne Applebaum, Pulitzer Prize-winning historian and author

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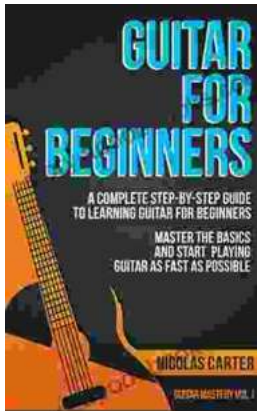
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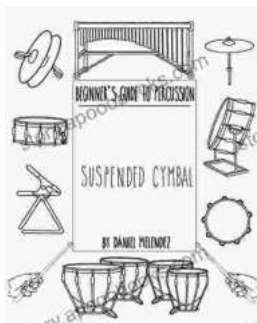


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