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assumption that Russia has always intended to restore a sphere of influence over its "Near Abroad". Rather, it argues that Russia's policies are more much complex, multi-faced, and often more incoherent than is often assumed. In essence, Russia's actions generally reflect a combination of legitimate state interests, enduring Soviet legacies, and genuine concerns over events unfolding along Russia's borders. This book also shows that, at times, Great-Power nostalgia and a real difficulty with discarding Russia's imperial legacy shapes Russia's behaviour towards in FFS. This book will be of great interest to students of Russian politics and foreign policy, east European politics, and International Relations in general."

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