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of the relationship between donors and recipients over the last few decades, and on a more general level, traces the impact that State Funded Aid has had on the international system. By arguing that, on the whole, donors have had greater political interests than recipients, the book takes a fresh and original look at aid as instrument of power politics. It will be of great interest to students, scholars, and practitioners of foreign aid and foreign policy, and to all those interested in analyzing how they have been affected by the global pandemic." (4e de couv.)

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