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Résumé ou extrait : Wars have enormous impact on people, economies and the environment. This book is the first study of the critical issues of war and peace from a geographical perspective, exploring the spatial aspects of the cold war, the arms race and threatened nuclear conflict. A team of distinguished contributors from the United States, Great Britain and the Soviet Union examine how a kind of peace has been preserved in Europe while conflict has affected most of the rest of the world; how military doctrines have been influenced by the geopolitical perceptions of the superpower; how these perceptions have been articulated and shaped by propaganda cartography; and how advance countries have sustained their arms industries by sales to the Third World. The geography of nuclear war is described in detail. We learn whether the nuclear winter will be the inevitable result of nuclear exchange, and how, when and where this might occur. We see how models of the geography of a nuclear attack on a particular country can be built and refined and we learn too why civil defence may be impossible. The Geography of Peace and War amply demonstrates the vital contribution geographers can make to our understanding of these crucial contemporary concerns.

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