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前言

There is no scientific antidote [to the atomic bomb], only education. You've got to change the way people think. I am not interested in disarmament talks between nations.... What I want to do is to disarm the mind. After that, everything else will automatically follow. The ultimate weapon for such mental disarmament is international education.—Albert EinsteinMuch uncertainty and anxiety characterize the global agenda as we launch a new millennium. Many rapidly unfolding trends, some of recent origin, others long standing, have generated new issues, new cleavages, and a new global landscape. The prospect of revolutionary transformation alongside change and continuity in contemporary world politics obscures our vision of the precise nature of the world in which we live. Perhaps this is why, even as we enter a new century, a consensus has not yet emerged about the defining character of world politics more than a decade after the end of the cold war. Ours is the era of transition from a past epoch that was easily defined and well understood to an era that remains ill defined and not easily characterized. So we find ourselves on the threshold of a new historical era without a concise way to describe it. Whatever the global system's ultimate nature, the potential for great changes has opened up a Pandora's box of new controversies and unfamiliar developments. Simultaneously, traditional controversies continue to color global political relations. This condition presents an intellectual challenge because the study of contemporary world politics must consider the factors that produce change as well as those that promote continuities in relations among political actors on the global stage. Because change is endemic to international politics, it is not surprising that many new issues on the global agenda and fresh perspectives on their analysis have emerged since the fifth edition of this book was published in 1998. Our purpose in preparing a sixth edition is to provide a basis for making an informed assessment of world politics by bringing information up to date and by presenting current commentary on the dominant issues in contemporary international politics and the rival analytical perspectives constructed to understand them.

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内容概要

本丛书第一批先行选入几本经典文献选读性质的国外优秀教材,内容主要在国际关系理论方面,也包括国际政治经济学方面的优秀教材。

它们皆可称为原文中的精品,值得研读和收藏,不仅如此,由于它们本身在国外的大学课堂里都是应 用较广的教材和读物,所以特别适合作为我国国际关系与世界政治专业大学教学中的参考读物,甚至 可以直接作为以外文授课的课堂教材。

在每本书的前面,我们都邀请国内比较权威的专家学者撰写了精彩的导论,以指导读者更好地阅读和 使用这些文献。

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章节摘录

PART ONE ARMS AND INFLUENCEThe contemporary international political system began to acquire its present shape and definition more than three hundred fifty years ago with the emergence of a state system in Europe after the highly destructive Thirty Years War. As the West-phalian treaties in 1648 brought that war to an end and as political, economic, and social intercourse grew among the states of Europe, new legal norms were embraced in an effort to regulate interstate behavior. The doctrine of state sovereignty, according to which no legal authority is higher than the state, emerged supreme. Thus the nascent international system was based on the right of states to control their internal affairs without interference from others and to manage their foreign relations with other states with whom they collaborated or competed as they saw fit. Foremost in this system was the belief, reinforced by the international law created by the Westphalian peace settlement, that the state should possess the right—indeed, the obligation—to take whatever measures it deemed necessary to ensure its preservation. The international system and the patterns of interaction among its political actors have changed profoundly since the birth of the state system, and rulers' capacity to authoritatively manage their country's domestic and foreign policies has receded as new international norms and institutions, and the pressures of globalization, have curtailed leaders' former sovereign freedom. Nonetheless, contemporary world politics remains significantly colored by its Westphalian legacy: it continues to be conducted in an atmosphere that bears a strong resemblance to anarchy. As in the past, the system remains fragmented and decentralized.....

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