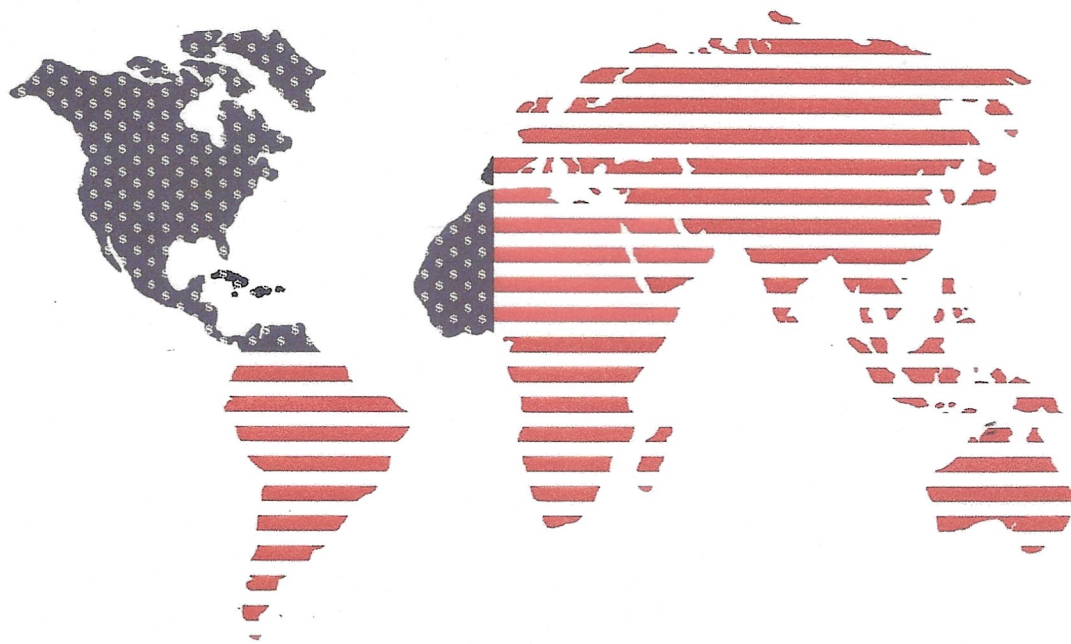


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INVADING THE WORLD,
One Economy at a Time



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"The corporations, the neoconservatives, and the George W. Bush administration are three interlocking groups with fluid demarcations. Iraq represents several things to these players: oil, wealth, regional power, and global power. Iraq presents them with the first opportunity for a truly imperial invasion. . . . [And] as President Bush has repeatedly said, Iraq is only the beginning."

—from *The Bush Agenda*

In this important book, renowned international trade and finance policy expert Antonia Juhasz exposes a radical corporate globalization agenda more befitting of a ruthless empire than a world leader of democracy. This agenda has been refined by leading members and allies of the Bush administration over decades and has reached its most aggressive implementation under George W. Bush. And Bush Agenda adherents hope it will outlast him.

Juhasz uncovers the history and key role of United States corporations in the creation of this agenda—focusing on Bechtel, Lockheed Martin, Chevron, and Halliburton—as well as its roots in the policies of the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, and the World Trade Organization. Then, presenting the Iraq War as the agenda's most brutal application to date, Juhasz reveals exactly how the administration—using corporate globalization as a weapon of war—has fundamentally transformed Iraq's economy, locked in sweeping advantages to its corporate allies, and expanded its target to the whole Middle East.

Juhasz brings to sharp focus the dangerous fallacy that the United States can combat terrorism and spread democracy through its so-called "free trade" policies, which are allowing the world's largest corporations to earn vast wealth for a few elite players at the expense of entire populations. The result has been dislocation, extreme poverty, and increased violence and terrorism worldwide.

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The good news, Juhasz asserts, is that there are many alternatives to the Bush Agenda. People around the world are already working hard to reverse its devastating impacts and have even achieved significant victories, but we must all help to steer the United States on a more positive, sustainable course for the future. Extensively researched and highly engaging, *The Bush Agenda* is a brilliant, informative analysis, revealing the hard truths about where the Bush administration and its corporate allies are leading the modern world—and what we can do about it.



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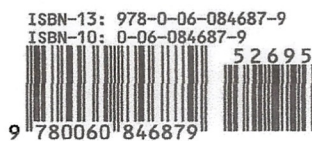
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