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conflicts, most of
which have

represented rather
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remain unresolved
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impacting only the
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**deviant behavior
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Georgia, thus,
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1992-93 war in
Abkhazia; and,
finally, the fifth
chapter follows post-
war Abkhaz,
Georgian, and
Russian relations,

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culminating in the
August 2008 war
fought between the
Georgians and
Russians over South
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How do ordinary
people navigate the
intense uncertainty of
the onset of war?
Different individuals
mobilize in different
ways—some flee, some

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pick up arms, and
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some support armed
actors as civil war
begins. Drawing on

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depth interviews with
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Georgian-Abkhaz war
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decisions during that conflict. Her fresh approach underscores the uncertain nature of the first days of the war when Georgian forces had a preponderance of manpower and arms. Mobilizing in Uncertainty demonstrates, in contrast to

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explanations that
assume individuals
know the risk
involved in
mobilization and
make decisions based
on that knowledge,
that the Abkhaz
anticipated risk in
ways that were
affected by their
earlier experiences
and by social

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networks at the time
of mobilization. What
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uncovers is that to
make sense of the
violence, Abkhaz
leaders, local
authority figures, and
others relied on
shared
understandings of the
conflict and their
roles in it—collective

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identities—that they had developed before the war. As appeals traveled across society, people consolidated mobilization decisions within small groups of family and friends and based their actions on whom they understood to be

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threatened. Their
decisions shaped how
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conflict unfolded and
how people continued
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from Russian Empire
to Soviet Union.

Seventy years later
these ethnic
autonomies were to
become the loci of
violent ethno-political
conflicts which have
consistently been
blamed on the
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Bolsheviks and
Stalin. According to

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this view, the Soviet
leadership

deliberately set up
ethnic autonomies
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Moscow
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leverage against each
republic. From
Conflict to Autonomy
in the Caucasus
questions this

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assumption by
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studies: Abkhazia,
South Ossetia and
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are placed within the
larger socio-political
context of
transformations
taking place in this
borderland region
during the nineteenth
and twentieth

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the general
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understanding of the
early Soviet
nationality policy and
to our understanding
of the conflicts that
have engulfed the
Caucasus region
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which entered a
sharp phase in
1992, was one of
the first and most
lengthy
(1992-2008)
international***

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**conflicts in the
former Soviet
Union. Complex
factors, such as
the deep roots of
the
confrontation,
the great human
sacrifices of the
political parties
during the
hostilities, the
high degree of**

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***defensive
involvement of
the entire
population of
Abkhazia, and
the asymmetry in
the approaches
of the parties, all
determine the
need for an
analysis of the
nature and the
origins and***

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conflict. This

book identifies

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transformation in
the case of
conflicts based
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diversity and
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origin, connected
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entries on
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*events and
institutions, as
well as
significant
political,
economic, social,
and cultural
aspects to trace
Georgia's history
and predict its
future.*

*The Georgian-
Abkhaz war was
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conflicts that
shook the
territory of the
former Soviet
Empire after its
disintegration.
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and gross
violations of
human rights
accompanied the
war. Abundant in
facts and***

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*testimonies, this
book will be
interesting for
those who are
keen to follow
the uneasy
developments
that unfolded in
the Caucasus
after the demise
of the Soviet
Union.*

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***explores the
challenges of
conflict***

***resolution in
protracted
conflicts, and
conceptualises
and analyses the
practice of
engagement
without
recognition in de
facto states.***

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without
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seen as a
promising
approach to
conflict
resolution in de
facto states, but
little is known
about its
implementation
and results. This
book addresses**

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***that lacuna and
develops an
analytical model
to assess
international
engagement,
focusing on
implementation
on the ground.
This model
enables a
comprehensive
analysis of
international***

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**engagement's
scope, areas, and
methods.**

***Further, the book
also explores the
context of
engagement in
de facto states,
which has a
significant
impact on its
implementation
and results. In
this way, the***

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advances our

***understanding of
the***

opportunities,

obstacles, and

limitations of

engagement

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analysis is based

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draws from other cases in the

Caucasus,

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and beyond, and

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international

engagement with

de facto states is

more

comprehensive

and multifaceted

than previously

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produces modest
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provides
practical
recommendation
s on how to
better utilize the
peacebuilding
potential of
engagement***

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*between Russia and
Georgia (temporarily
Sovietised in 1921-91)
and examines the major
processes that fuelled
the ethnic hatred in the
region. This region is
one of those hot spots
where polar ideologies
and economic interests
of major powers collide,
but which somehow gets
neglected by politicians
and the media, leaving*

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*the small nations
involved in the conflict
at the mercy of their
powerful and ambitious
neighbour – Russia. The
recent Russian-
sponsored ethnic
cleansing in Abkhazia is
a grim reminder of how
important it is to
understand the volcanic
forces that may explode
the region, with dire
consequences for the*

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whole world. This work concentrates only on one little-known episode of regional history – the dramatic events that took place in 1918-21 in Abkhazia and the Black Sea Riviera (the Sochi district of the Black Sea province). It demonstrates that the artificial "Abkhazian separatism" had been created and exploited by

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outside forces (the Ottoman Empire, the Bolshevik Russia and the anti-Bolshevik Russian “White movement”) that were interested in the acquisition of the territory of Abkhazia in order to gain control over the whole South Caucasus. At the same time, despite their mutual bitterness, both

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*Red and White Russian
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leaders demonstrated a
striking unanimity on
the question of the
status of Abkhazia and
the Sochi district. Both
Reds and Whites sought
to prevent the
integration of the two
disputed territories into
Georgia. Both parties
worked hard with some
elements of local
population trying to

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*exploit and develop
their “anti-Georgian”
sentiments. The book
draws parallels between
the post-WorldWar I
imperialist ambitions of
Russia (both communist
and anticommunist) and
the modern hegemonism
of the Kremlin. Indeed,
history repeated itself
again after the collapse
of the Soviet Union in
1991, when the South*

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Caucasus once again gained strategic importance. Today, it serves as a natural corridor, through which Western countries can access the vital hydrocarbon resources of Central Asia, bypassing Russia. That is why the leadership of the Russian Federation considers it crucially important to restore its

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*political control over
the recently independent
states of the South
Caucasus, or
alternatively, to
destabilize them to the
extent that the newly-
opened land bridge
between Europe and
Asia would not function.
That could explain why
not only reactionary
Russian top brass and
secret services, but also*

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well-known
“democratic” RF

*politicians, stood united
against Georgia and her
territorial integrity.*

*Those combined efforts
resulted in the wars and
ethnic cleansings of
1992-93 and 2008, the
occupation of Abkhazia
and the breach of
Georgia's territorial
integrity. However, the
current situation in*

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Abkhazia became possible not only due to the military superiority of the Russian Federation, but to a large extent due to the fact that the history of Abkhazia and her legal and cultural connections with the rest of Georgia remain unknown to the decision-makers, as well as to the politically active public

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*both in the West and in
Russia. The paucity of
publicly available
objective information on
the Abkhazian situation
opens up great
opportunities for
ideologically-loaded
and sometimes even
instigative
interpretations of this
sensitive issue. In view
of the above, this book
also aims to provide a*

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concise description and analysis of the process of integration of Abkhazia, and, in part, of the Sochi district, into the Georgian state in 1918-1921, listing the international treaties and inter-party agreements that provide legal basis for the association of Abkhazia with Georgia. The book contains 18 full-color

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unrecognized states and
secession. The first part
of the book
conceptualizes
unrecognized states as
entities with a national
identity and which have*

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independence, yet are
not internationally
recognized as
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such as the role of
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secessionist conflicts,
ontological security in
post-Soviet states, and
factors influencing the
legitimacy of secession
referenda. In turn, the*

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*book's second part
presents selected case
studies on various
secessionist regions and
territories, including
Kurdistan, the
Caucasus, Kosovo, and
Bougainville.*

*Since the beginning of
the 21st century, the
problem of the
development of regional
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international politics. Of particular concern is the post-Soviet space, which remains in the most difficult process of transformation. The Georgian-Abkhaz conflict, which entered a sharp phase in 1992, was one of the first and most lengthy (1992-2008) international conflicts in the former Soviet Union.

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Georgia and Abkhazia.

*In the international
panorama, federalism,
in fact, is being
increasingly considered
as an instrument of
conflict transformation
in the case of conflicts
based on cultural
diversity and ethnicity.*

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in Georgia to
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