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In 1821, when the banner  
of revolution was raised

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against the empire of  
the Ottoman Turks, the  
story of 'Modern Greece'  
is usually said to  
begin. Less well known  
is the international  
recognition given to

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Greece as an independent state with full sovereign rights, as early as 1830, placing Greece in the vanguard among the new nation-states of Europe. This

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book brings together  
scholars from a variety  
of disciplines to  
explore the contribution  
of characteristically  
19th-century European  
modes of thought to the

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'making' of Greece as a modern nation. It focuses on the themes of nationalism, romanticism and the uses of the Classical and Byzantine past in the construction

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of a durable national  
identity at once 'Greek'  
and 'modern'.

A classical scholar  
reconstructs the Greek  
war for independence  
from the Ottoman empire,

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a conflict that captured  
the imagination of  
Romantic-era Europe and  
spurred thousands of non-  
Greek volunteers to join  
the struggle.

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constitutional  
development in modern  
Greece from its sources  
through the Greek War of  
Independence, through  
subsequent years of  
dictatorship, monarchy,



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and democracy, and  
through World War I.

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history and politics of  
modern Greece from the  
early nineteenth century  
to the present. It also

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considers the  
relationship between  
Greeks in Greece and the  
Greeks of the diaspora  
in the United States,  
and explores how this  
relationship has

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This book examines both brigandage and irredentism in Greece since the War of Independence, tracing the intimate links between the two, their impact on Greek politics and statecraft, and their influence on the modern Greek state. It also served as a safety device which defused

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explosivesituations. Unable to prevail over illegitimate group violence, the state tried to divert it into two generally acceptable channels - irredentist activity, and the incorporation of brigands into paramilitary units - giving it a semblance of legitimacy and rendering its activities less dangerous tothe security of the state. Eventually the

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of Independence outpaced the facts from the very beginning, and for good reason. This was an unlikely cause, against long odds, a disorganized collection of Greek patriots up against what was still one of the most storied empires in the world, the Ottomans. The revolutionaries needed all the help they could get. And they got it as



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Europeans and Americans embraced the idea that the heirs to ancient Greece, the wellspring of Western civilization, were fighting for their freedom against the proverbial Eastern despot, the Turkish sultan. This was Christianity versus Islam, now given urgency by new ideas about the nation-state and democracy that were

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shaking up the old order. Lord Byron is only the most famous of the combatants who went to Greece to fight and die—along with many more who followed events passionately and supported the cause through art, music, and humanitarian aid. To many who did go, it was a rude awakening to find that the Greeks were a

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far cry from their illustrious forebears, and were often hard to tell apart from the Ottomans. Mazower does full justice to the realities on the ground as a revolutionary conspiracy triggered outright rebellion, and a fraying and distracted Ottoman leadership first missed the plot and then overreacted disastrously. He shows how

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and why ethnic cleansing commenced almost immediately on both sides. By the time the dust settled, Greece was free, and Europe was changed forever. It was a victory for a completely new kind of politics—international in its range and affiliations, popular in its origins, romantic in sentiment, and radical in its goals. It

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was here on the very edge of Europe that the first successful revolution took place in which a people claimed liberty for themselves and overthrew an entire empire to attain it, transforming diplomatic norms and the direction of European politics forever, and inaugurating a new world of nation-states, the world in which we still

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Greece were ruled by state  
authorities from the time of  
Greece's political  
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Ottoman Empire in the**



**1820s until the country's  
entrance into the Second  
World War, in October  
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the development of the  
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**collective identity as a  
minority and affected  
Muslim relations with the  
Greek authorities and  
Orthodox Christians.  
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in the Balkans to become**

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**an independent state and a  
pioneer in experimenting  
with minority issues.**

**Greece's ruling framework  
and many state  
administrative measures  
and patterns would serve as**

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**templates in other  
Christian Orthodox Balkan  
states with Muslim  
minorities (Bulgaria,  
Romania, Serbia, Cyprus).  
Muslim religious officials  
were empowered with**

**authority which they did not have in Ottoman times, and aspects of the Islamic law (Sharia) were incorporated into the state legal system to be used for Muslim family and property affairs.**

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Greece, the civilisation  
that shares the same name  
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on, sometimes literally,  
the ruins of a vanished  
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Just a few years ago, Greece appeared to be a politically secure nation with a healthy economy. Today, Greece can be found at the center of the economic maelstrom in Europe. Beginning in late 2008, the Greek economy entered a nosedive that would transform it into the European country with the most serious

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and intractable fiscal problems. Both the deficit and the unemployment rate skyrocketed. Quickly thereafter, Greece edged toward a pre-revolutionary condition, as massive anti-austerity protests punctuated by violence and vandalism spread throughout Greek cities. Greece was certainly not the only

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country hit hard by the recession, but nevertheless the entire world turned its focus toward it for a simple reason: the possibility of a Greek exit from the European Monetary Union, and its potential to unravel the entire Union, with other weaker members heading for the exits as well. The fate of Greece is

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inextricably tied up with the global politics surrounding austerity as well. Is austerity rough but necessary medicine, or is it an intellectually bankrupt approach to fiscal policy that causes ruin? Through it all, Greece has staggered from crisis to crisis, and the European central bank's periodic

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has become less important  
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truthful and direct  
manner. As a result, we



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"Interpretational  
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"Misunderstandings" on a  
personal, professional and  
political basis every day.

These "Misunderstandings,"

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