

1: Kosovo Genocide Timeline

"No Genocide in Kosovo." Daniel Pearl's front-page article of Dec. 31, , in the Wall Street Journal carried the headline "despite tales, the war in Kosovo was cruel, bitter, savage, but wasn't genocide."

New York University Press, Imperialism, Nationalism and the Destruction of the Ottoman Armenians. Oxford University Press, Robert Gellately and Ben Kiernan, eds. The Specter of Genocide: Mass Murder in Historical Perspective. Cambridge University Press, Nazism, War and Genocide: Essays in Honour of Jeremy Noakes. University of Exeter Press, Jean Hatzfeld Into the Quick of Life: Jean Hatzfeld A Time for Machetes: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust. Interpretation, Misinterpretation and the Claims of History. Indiana University Press, University of Utah Press, University of North Carolina Press, Patricia Marchak Reigns of Terror. Linda Melvern Conspiracy to Murder: Midlarsky The Killing Trap: Genocide in the Twentieth Century. The Politics of Global Justice. Odom Journey into Darkness: Samantha Power A Problem from Hell: America and the Age of Genocide. Cornell University Press, Schafft From Racism to Genocide: Anthropology in the Third Reich. University of Illinois Press, Sexual Violence and American Indian Genocide. Scott Straus The Order of Genocide: Race, Power, and War in Rwanda. Mass Killing and Genocide in the Twentieth Century. James Waller Becoming Evil: Genocide, Terrorism, Righteous Communities. America and the Armenian Genocide of Geetanjali Gangoli "Engendering Genocide: Lest We Forget Again ," September 11, In the following viewpoint he argues that genocide did in fact occur in Kosovo in In agreement with the Bill Clinton administration, Great Britain, NATO, and other world organizations, Ronayne asserts that the Serbs did commit genocide against the Kosovo Albanians, because their acts clearly fit the legal definition of genocide articulated by the UN Genocide Convention. The Kosovo crisis and subsequent NATO air war against Yugoslavia teemed with issues central to the fields of genocide studies, world politics, and contemporary foreign policy Throughout , the Contact Group promoted diplomatic efforts to find a peaceful, negotiated solution in Kosovo. Despite these international efforts, the violence grew and with it the emerging specter of another round of "ethnic cleansing" basically a s synonym for genocide in the Balkans. At the end of March, the United Nations Security Council imposed sanctions, but a wary West still continued to hope that, as in the [] Dayton Accords, which ended the broader Balkan conflict, diplomacy would work without the need for significant use of force. But by mid September , an estimated , Kosovo Albanians had been driven from their homes, and some 50, were still in the open as the winter approached. On 23 September, the UN Security Council adopted resolution , which highlighted an impending human catastrophe in Kosovo, and demanded a ceasefire and the start of real political dialogue. The following day, NATO defense ministers meeting in Portugal affirmed their willingness and determination to take action if required. After twenty-one members of an Albanian family were massacred in Gorjne Obrinje, the West applied new pressure. On 13 October, U. The agreement also allowed for a NATO aerial verification mission. On 27 October, NATO agreed to keep compliance of the agreements, which were underpinned by UN Security Council resolution , under continuous review and to remain prepared to carry out air strikes should they be required, given the continuing threat of a humanitarian crisis. Despite some doubts as to whether the Holbrooke agreements would deliver a lasting settlement, the international community recognized the opportunity they provided to allow those who had been forced from their homes to return, and was thus determined to try to make them work. Nineteen-ninety-eight ended with relative calm. Despite the tempered hopes of those involved, a temporary stabilization of the situation, and the withdrawal of some Serb forces, the violence soon returned, as Serbs repositioned and the KLA maneuvered to take advantage of the OSCE-monitored cessation of hostilities. On 8 January , KLA forces ambushed and killed three Serb policemen and killed another two days later. The Serbs responded harshly on 15 January at the village of Racak, killing forty-five ethnic Albanians, including a twelve-year-old boy and two women. Nine KLA soldiers were also killed. According to witnesses interviewed by Human Rights Watch , "most of these men were fired upon from close range as they offered no resistance. All of them were wearing rubber boots typical of Kosovo farmers rather than military footwear. In response, NATO issued a "solemn warning" to Milosevic and the Kosovo Albanian leadership, reiterated the

airstrikes threat, and moved additional military assets within range. As if on cue as talks collapsed, Yugoslav and irregular Serb forces launched a major offensive in Kosovo, accelerating their "ethnic cleansing" campaign and raising exponentially the fear of genocide. Through terror and violence, Serb forces drove the majority of Kosovo Albanians—some 1. Hundreds of settlements were burned and looted. Massacres led to innumerable mass graves in Kosovo and in Serbia proper. Mosques, religious sites, and schools were systematically destroyed. Rape re-emerged in the Balkans as a tool of organized, deliberate terror. At least 6, and as many as 11, Kosovar Albanians were murdered, with bodies burned in over mass graves. This was not improvised violence or a mob reaction. A covert Serbian plan, code-named Operation Horseshoe, to expel Kosovo Albanians from their homeland had been drawn up months before and showed that while Milosevic was engaged in political theatre at Rambouillet, his forces had been preparing to destroy the Kosovar Albanians. In a prime time speech to the nation on 24 March, U. President Bill Clinton explained the resort to force and appealed to both "moral imperative" and national interests. Said Clinton, "America has a responsibility to stand with our allies when they are trying to save innocent lives and preserve peace, freedom, and stability in Europe. That is what we are doing in Kosovo. We must prevent that from happening. Armed with a set of faulty assumptions from the Dayton experience namely that Milosevic would quickly cave in to any sustained show of NATO force, optimistic observers anticipated an air campaign of as little as three days. Instead, it took Operation Allied Force almost three months to compel Serb capitulation. Nearly all of the displaced Kosovar Albanians returned to the province following the war. The crisis in Kosovo raised rather than solved a host of pressing challenges for the field of genocide studies and world politics in general. Perhaps the most fundamental and rather complex question at stake is the future legitimacy and legality of such humanitarian interventions, particularly given the limits of a fractured UN system that finds itself schizophrenically torn between the mandates of state sovereignty and non-interference and the rising concern over protection of individual sovereignty and human rights. As of this writing February, Milosevic stands trial for charges filed in three indictments related to crimes committed in Kosovo, Croatia, and Bosnia. However, only the Bosnia indictment includes the specific charge of genocide. For his role and responsibility for actions in Kosovo in, Milosevic faces charges for crimes against humanity and violations of the customs of war. Consistent application of the UN Genocide Convention in the pursuit of justice, especially given the emerging International Criminal Court ICC, is of utmost importance, and the Kosovo issue is a critical case in this unfolding process. Milosevic died of a heart attack on March 11, in his cell at The Hague detention center.

The United States Should Intervene in Darfur "The risks to American values if we fail to act against genocide are far greater than the risks to American interests if we act against it. There is no other reasonable solution, say the editors, and anyone who thinks the United Nations can end the atrocities is sadly mistaken. The editors of The New Republic point a finger at those who wring their hands over the bloodshed in Darfur, but who oppose sending in American troops to stop it. The New Republic is an American opinion magazine. As you read, consider the following questions: Which countries suffered genocides in the s? How long would it take before a United Nations force could be deployed in Darfur? Again and again is more like it. In Darfur, we are witnessing a genocide again, and again we are witnessing ourselves witnessing it and doing nothing to stop it. Even people who wish to know about the problem do not wish to know about the solution. They prefer the raising of consciousnesses to the raising of troops. Just as Rwanda made a bleak mockery of the lessons of Bosnia, Darfur is making a bleak mockery of the lessons of Rwanda. Some lessons, it seems, are gladly and regularly unlearned. Except, of course, by the perpetrators of this evil, who learn the only really enduring lessons about genocide in our time:

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Genocide in Kosovo Genocide in Kosovo Ronayne, Peter That Kosovo exploded with genocidal violence in and ultimately prompted outside intervention surprised few "it was a long-festering hotspot but one that fell low on the world politics priority lists, despite the brutal "wars of Yugoslav" succession that engulfed Serbia, Bosnia, and Croatia.

Indiana University Press, , pp. A synthesis of the literature on genocide from a sociological and criminological perspective, discussing the crime of genocide through a distinctly social science lens, with specific references to the ideas and concepts that have been developed to explain criminal behavior. The book has 6 chapters: The Age of Genocide, 2. A Crime by Any Other Name, 3. Accommodating Genocide, and 6. His primary areas of study previous to this book have focused on minorities, crime, and criminal justice, as well as on collective and interpersonal violence. He has published on Native Americans, Latinos, and African Americans, fear of crime, sentencing, justifiable and criminal homicide, and genocide. Campbell, Genocide and the global village , Palgrave formerly St. Campbell explains why the international community fails so miserably to prevent, suppress, and punish contemporary genocide. Towards a Better Twenty-First Century. Heidenrich, How to prevent genocide: Praeger, , pp. This book explores various foreign policy options for the prevention of genocide abroad. Research was funded in part by a grant from the United States Institute of Peace. Subtopics in the book include: Formerly an analyst with the U. Peter Ronayne, Never again? The nior faculty member at the Federal Executive Institute, in Charlottesville, Virginia, and is adjunct professor at the University of Virginia. At the same time, Ronayne explores how the US has taken important action to bring about justice in the aftermath of genocidal crimes, despite its initial reluctance to even ratify the Genocide Convention. The final chapter considers the implications of the findings presented here for the future of American foreign policy, the prevention and punishment of genocide, and the evolution of the genocide norm. Foreword by Joel H. Alexandre Kimenyi and Otis L. Scott, editors, Anatomy of genocide: Edwin Mellen Press, pp. Afflitto and Margaret Vandiver -Always the first to go: People with disabilities Arthur Blaser -In through the gates and out through the chimneys: Gypsies and the Holocaust Deborah Bruce -In the eyes of the beholder: Edward Day, Margaret Vandiver, and W. Will the Holocaust-era litigation answer the questions of history? Fisher -In genocide, responsibility stems from volition Albert Globus Class, nation and race in communist crimes against humanity: Theoretical and -historical reflections on Marxist racism and violence Steve Heder -Why did the international community fail Rwanda and continues to do it? Augustin Kamongi -Ethnic relations in Central Europe: How to foster and to avoid genocide and ethnic cleansing Thomas Kando -Armenian genocide and the survival of children Isabel Kaprielian-Churchill -The Armenian genocide and the unpaid life insurance policies: Karagueuzian -The Rwandan genocide: Searching for the roots of evil Erich H. Loewy -The Armenian property and the destruction of Armenian historical monuments as a manifestation of the genocidal process Dickram Kouymjian -The Austrian encounter Samson Munn -The Japanese press and the Rwandan genocide Michimi Muranushi -Holocaust population redeployment and Soviet forced labor camps Tamas Stark -The post-genocide state of Rwanda Yumiko Takashima -A philosophy of negotiation: Seligman, editors, Ethnopolitical warfare: American Psychological Association, , pages Why does ethnopolitical conflict sometimes lead to genocide and other times to peace? A joint initiative created in by the two presidents-elect of the American and Canadian Psychological Associations, The Presidential Initiative on Ethnopolitical Warfare EPW , grew from the concern and realization that destructive international conflict in the post Cold War era had entered a new and chilling phase of expression. This unique book contains cogent critiques of the political and historical antecedents to conflict around the world, combining them with psychological analyses of group identity and intergroup conflict. In examining the escalation of ethnic conflict, the authors highlight the critical role of group identification. How group identification becomes enmeshed with threatened economic resources, violent political subcultures, and media manipulation of collective fear is stressed. The lessons from the histories of specific countries are given cogent review: Why is Tanzania a rare model of ethnic peace in Africa while its neighbor Rwanda houses the worst case of ethnic warfare on the continent? This book illustrates the promise that an interdisciplinary approach has to offer in preventing further genocide and ethnic warfare in the

21st century. Cherif Bassiouni, et al, Human rights module: Carolina Academic Press, Simon Payaslian, The Armenian genocide, Armenian Cultural Foundation, , pp. Blue Heron Press, , 87 pp. House Committee on International Relations. Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights. Rwanda and Central Africa: Jones, Peacemaking in Rwanda: Lynne Rienner Publishers, , ix, pp. Bruce Jones investigates why the wide-ranging efforts to forestall genocidal violence in Rwanda in failed so miserably. Jones traces the individual and collective impact of both official and unofficial mediation efforts, peacekeeping missions, and humanitarian aid. Providing theoretical and empirical evidence, he shows that the failure of the peace process was not the result of lack of effort, or even the weakness of any particular effort. Rather, it was due to a combination of factors: Peacemaking in Rwanda generates critical insights into the limits of our contemporary systems for conflict prevention and management, serving as a sobering argument for reform of the international conflict management system. A History of the Rwandan Conflict. Kuperman, The limits of humanitarian intervention: Brookings Institution Press, Mahmood Mamdani, When victims become killers: Princeton University Press, , pp. Columbia University professor of government Mahmood Mamdani examines the long-term historical, geographic, theoretical, and moral context of the Rwandan genocide to explain why so many Rwandans turned upon their neighbors. He finds answers in the nature of political identities generated during colonialism, in the failures of the nationalist revolution to transcend these identities, and in regional demographic and political currents that reach beyond Rwanda to events in neighboring Burundi, Uganda, and Congo. His analysis provides a solid foundation for future studies and notes ways to reform political identity in central Africa and prevent future mass killing. Political Reform after Genocide Christian P. Scherrer, Genocide and crisis in Central Africa: Nova Science Publishers, Drawing on research he and other historians have done in recent years, he offers fresh opinions on such basic issues as how to define and explain the Holocaust; whether it can be compared with other genocides; how Jews reacted to the murder campaign against them; and what the relationship is between the Holocaust and the establishment of Israel. The Holocaust says something terribly important about humanity, says Bauer. Providing fascinating narratives as examples, he deals with reactions of Jewish men and women during the Holocaust and tells of several attempts at rescue operations. He also explores Jewish theology of the Holocaust, arguing that our view of the Holocaust should not be clouded by mysticism: A book of Holocaust history for the Information Age describing how a US-based international company could be involved in genocide through a German subsidiary. Images of past genocides have often been shaped by the means most commonly used to accomplish the destruction. The Armenian genocide is remembered for telegraph lines and deportation caravans; Rwanda for ID cards, roadblocks and machetes; and Cambodian for the agrarian killing fields where the urban population and others were worked and starved to death. The Holocaust is portrayed as an industrial genocide involving complex train schedules, prussic acid gas chambers and assembly-line oven crematoria. The author, who previously wrote the book The Transfer Agreement: One employee of Dehomag using these machines to the Nazi Government tabulate the population censuses of and Rosenbaum, Is the Holocaust unique? Rosenbaum ; with a foreword by Israel W. Westview Press, , xix, pp. Robert Gellately, Backing Hitler: Using newspapers and radio broadcasts of the day as evidence, effectively demonstrates how "ordinary Germans" evolved into a powerful base of support for the Nazi regime. Although Hitler and the National Socialists had never garnered an outright majority in elections before , the author convincingly shows that "the great majority of the German people soon became devoted to Hitler and they supported him to the bitter end in Using Gramscian theory is hardly new in an analysis of Nazi Germany, but Gellately does make a provocative claim: Decrees, legislation, police actions and the concentration camps were not meant to be hidden from the German people, but in fact were extensively publicized. Turning away from Weimar 2. Concentration Camps and Media Reports 4. Shadows of War 5. Injustice and the Jews 7. Special "Justice" for Foreign Workers 8. Enemies in the Ranks 9. Concentration Camps in Public Spaces Yale University Press, Before the war broke out, 1, Jews lived in Jedwabne, and only seven survived, saved by a Polish woman, Wyrzykowska, who lived in the vicinity.

3: Talk:Responsibility to protect - Wikipedia

Introduction --Defining genocide --Genocide is difficult to define / Jacques Semelin --Genocide is difficult to understand / Mark Levene --Genocide did occur in Kosovo / Peter Ronayne --Genocide did not occur in Kosovo / Martin Mennecke --Genocide is occurring in Darfur / Andrew B. Loewenstein --Genocide is not occurring in Darfur / United.

Achieving Justice and Ethnic Reconciliation in Rwanda. Extreme Poverty Led to the Rwanda Genocide. Genocide at the Cambodian Killing Fields. Genocide Did Not Occur in Kosovo. Genocide Did Occur in Kosovo. Genocide Is Not Occurring in Darfur. United Nations International Commission. Genocide Is Occurring in Darfur. The Bill of Rights in Action. The Persistence of Genocide. The Persistence of Human Brutality. Psychosocial Dissonance Contributed to the Cambodian Genocide. The Sudanese Government Engages in Genocide. Lastly, below you will find my research results on the topic of genocide. In the following viewpoint, Bruce Fein argues that creating a permanent international criminal court to address genocide and crimes against humanity would be counterproductive. According to Fein, international criminal courts have been ineffective, unsuccessful, and unfairly influenced by the politics of powerful nations. Fein is a lawyer and freelance writer specializing in legal issues. As you read, consider the following questions: According to Fein, what political bias was evident in the Nuremberg trials? Mencken reputedly quipped, there is a simple answer to every complex question, and it is wrong. And so it is with the simple-minded international initiative to enshrine a Permanent International Criminal Court ICC as an immaculate crusader for human rights. It is bold and noble in conception, but promises wretched results. Neither has proven inspiring. Only a handful of the 75 indictees in the case of the former Yugoslavia are in custody, and the chief culprits in genocide and war crimes, such as Bosnian Serbs Radovan Karadzic and Gen. Ratko Mladic, seem destined to defeat justice. A tiny number of their myrmidons may be punished, making a mockery of evenhanded justice. The Rwanda tribunal is an embarrassment to due process because of scarce and primitive legal talent and resources.

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In early , the United States, under George H. Shortly afterwards, in April , this commitment purported by the US and the UN was put to the test, as mounting levels of violence began to erupt in the central African republic of Rwanda. In this piece I will address the Rwandan genocide “ around days of violence that ultimately resulted in the deaths of between , and one million people. Initially, I will briefly describe the aspects of the genocide that brought it to worldwide prominence. Subsequently, I will describe how and why the international response to the situation failed; critiquing the realist theoretical context in which the genocide was often framed, and evaluating the reluctance of involvement by the United Nations and the United States. From the end of World War I, the League of Nations mandated Belgium to govern Rwanda; scholars consider the Rwandan genocide to be a result of extreme intrastate tensions created by this interference [2]. Belgian rulers enforced a segregationist domestic policy; ensuring that the minority Tutsi group had political and socioeconomic advantages to Hutus, and punctuating the intention of divisiveness by requiring all Rwandans to carry identification cards to classify which group they belonged to [3]. In , Belgium granted independence, and the majority Hutus gained power; the following decades were characterised by hundreds of thousands of Rwandans being killed in communal violence. The precise death toll is unknown, though writer Philip Gourevitch poignantly gave an estimate: Despite Rwandan ethnic tension having clear origins in historical external interference, little international effort was made to prevent the horrors that unfolded. Extreme violence in Rwanda was not unexpected to the international community; a number of published reports and other warnings had been provided regarding the imminence of a potential humanitarian crisis. This inaction was partially due to fear of a backlash within domestic politics, and powered somewhat by Pentagon officials who opposed intervention due to a lack of national interest, and a fear of a repeat of the US deaths in Somalia [8]. Evidence has emerged that US and British radio services monitored messages that Hutus were broadcasting to incite attacks upon Tutsis, yet did not attempt to halt these transmissions [11]. A report written with the collaboration of academic professors, the US Army, and several distinguished diplomacy organisations concluded that an intervention with US participation could have saved thousands “ even hundreds of thousands “ of innocent lives [16]. Logistically, a humanitarian response to the genocide could have easily been implemented, as there was a wide variety of options; the US government could have involved a few thousand of its troops in Rwanda, a multinational coalition of highly trained troops could have entered with US leadership, or, untraditionally, even private military companies could have been hired [17]. The decision was not to act. Additionally, aside from such organisational failures, a major factor that led to the high number of Rwandan fatalities was the deficient legal framework; UNAMIR was a peacekeeping operation consented to by the Rwandan government, not a mission to covertly gain intelligence, destabilise the regime, or to militarily counter the violence. Alike other peacekeeping missions, the intention was to improve the capacity and self-sufficiency of the host state, and ultimately, to aid the peace process. Despite UN failings, some scholars have placed the blame for the lack of an appropriate response to the Rwandan genocide on to the unwillingness of the United States. In an attempt to compensate for inaction and preserve justice, the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda ICTR was formed; an international court created by the United Nations, and supported predominantly by US finances, as well as some US employees. Former mayor of the Rwandan commune of Taba, Jean-Paul Akayesu, became the first individual to be convicted of genocide in the ICTR, and, Jean Kambanda, the Rwandan prime minister at the time of the crisis, soon followed [23]. However, the most vital precedent set in the aftermath of the Rwandan genocide was the introduction of the concept of the Responsibility to Protect R2P. R2P focussed on the introduction of organised international opposition to four particularly immoral crimes: This communitarian, and somewhat cosmopolitan, norm becoming generally considered legitimate within international relations has resulted in an improved international response to such grave violations of human rights, as seen with the intervention in Libya. If R2P

had gained international normativity prior to , it is possible that the UN, the US and other nations may have reacted more benevolently and appropriately to the endangered Rwandan civilians, although perhaps such an overwhelmingly heinous crisis as Rwanda was needed for the international community to truly understand the ramifications of their inaction. The international response to grave human rights violations recommended by the ICISS has, however, not been consistently applied. Despite its success in Libya, the international community has not instigated an intervention in the on-going Syrian Civil War. Despite such demands being voiced by a number of international organisations and governments, an intervention into Syria has not occurred, partly due to the vehement opposition to such a move by two UN Security Council members – Russia and China. To ensure that civilians of Syria do not suffer a similar fate to that of Rwandan civilians, it is vital for R2P to be further instilled as a required course of action within international law. The international response to the Rwandan genocide was undeniably a failure. The historical external influence upon the Rwandan people that spawned the conflict particularly accentuates the tragic irony of the unwillingness of the international community to help those facing slaughter. Rwanda is a clear case in which a planned and structured humanitarian intervention could have saved countless civilians from brutal deaths. It is apparent that there were two primary problems that prevented such an intervention from occurring; the lack of a legal framework for a militarised intervention, and a realist focus on self-interest – rather than a concern for preserving the values of a common humanity. The United States, and the United Nations, clearly had many viable options for countering the magnitude of the genocide, but failed to act upon their international responsibilities as the world hegemon and the foremost international peace-promoting organisation, respectively. The improvements to international humanitarian norms and laws since , particularly the Responsibility to Protect, suggest that the Rwandan genocide has taught the international community some lessons about the necessity of humanitarian intervention. P13 [2] Destexhe, Alain. Rwanda and Genocide in the Twentieth Century. P41 [4] Ronayne, Peter. P [5] Gourevitch, Philip. P [6] Ronayne, Peter.

5: The History Place - Genocide in the 20th Century: Bosnia-Herzegovina

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In lieu of an abstract, here is a brief excerpt of the content: The United Nations and Rwanda. Cornell University Press, *Genocide and the Global Village. America and the Age of Genocide.* By Samantha Power New York: Rowman and Littlefield, Guilt and responsibility are regular themes of the literature on genocide. Despite the effort that scholars and analysts put into providing the subject with definable contours, the lack of a clearly articulated nexus between the two has continued to defy the usual conventions of legality and morality. Hannah Arendt suggested in *The Human Condition* that "men are unable to forgive what they cannot punish and they are. What remains in doubt is the measure of transnational complicity for genocide, the lateral burden of shame and responsibility that should be shouldered by bystanders. The books under review in this essay are particularly notable for the manner in which they address this moral ambiguity. The post-Cold War proliferation of atrocities has invigorated the debate over whether any particular genocide can be considered "unique. Langer once wrote, "the sudden, violent, irrational extinction of vast numbers of people is part of the personal and historical consciousness of the twentieth century. The authors whose volumes are considered here broach the subject of the U. Their approaches differ, but their analyses all turn on the straightforward presumption that genocide is a universal threat to human security that exceeds normal diplomatic, military, and ideological constraints. It is difficult not to think of these books, their authors, and their arguments in terms of catharsis. Campbell, a political scientist specializing in use-of-force issues, experienced the carnage of war as a young soldier in Vietnam. Power, who teaches public policy at Harvard and is Executive Director of the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at the Kennedy School of Government, covered the wars in the former Yugoslavia as a freelance journalist from to A political officer at the U. Rather it is a metaphysical spaceâ€”a space that changes with time and experience but ultimately is defined by a profound sense of loss. *America and the Age of Genocide* takes a historical perspective, scrutinizing the dismal record of U. Atrocities abroad have acted as a curious brand of political soporific; leaders have been shackled by a stupefying inability to confront genocide with the sort of urgency needed for meaningful intervention. Domestically, the lack of public pressure has left politicians with sufficient wiggle room to avoid action. The question of whether or not to You are not currently authenticated. View freely available titles:

6: Staff View: Genocide.

Genocide in Kosovo Peter Ronayne Introduction The American-led North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) attack on Slobodan Milosevic's Yugoslavia beginning on 24 March , represented.

In the Republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina, conflict between the three main ethnic groups, the Serbs, Croats, and Muslims, resulted in genocide committed by the Serbs against the Muslims in Bosnia. Bosnia is one of several small countries that emerged from the break-up of Yugoslavia, a multicultural country created after World War I by the victorious Western Allies. Yugoslavia was composed of ethnic and religious groups that had been historical rivals, even bitter enemies, including the Serbs Orthodox Christians , Croats Catholics and ethnic Albanians Muslims. A fierce resistance movement sprang up led by Josip Tito. Tito, a Communist, was a strong leader who maintained ties with the Soviet Union and the United States during the Cold War, playing one superpower against the other while obtaining financial assistance and other aid from both. After his death in and without his strong leadership, Yugoslavia quickly plunged into political and economic chaos. A new leader arose by the late s, a Serbian named Slobodan Milosevic, a former Communist who had turned to nationalism and religious hatred to gain power. He began by inflaming long-standing tensions between Serbs and Muslims in the independent province of Kosovo. Orthodox Christian Serbs in Kosovo were in the minority and claimed they were being mistreated by the Albanian Muslim majority. Serbian-backed political unrest in Kosovo eventually led to its loss of independence and domination by Milosevic. In June , Slovenia and Croatia both declared their independence from Yugoslavia soon resulting in civil war. The national army of Yugoslavia, now made up of Serbs controlled by Milosevic, stormed into Slovenia but failed to subdue the separatists there and withdrew after only ten days of fighting. Milosevic quickly lost interest in Slovenia, a country with almost no Serbs. Instead, he turned his attention to Croatia, a Catholic country where Orthodox Serbs made up 12 percent of the population. Serbs living in Croatia as well as Jews had been the targets of widespread Ustasha massacres. In the concentration camp at Jasenovac, they had been slaughtered by the tens of thousands. In , the new Croat government, led by Franjo Tudjman, seemed to be reviving fascism, even using the old Ustasha flag, and also enacted discriminatory laws targeting Orthodox Serbs. In the city of Vukovar, they bombarded the outgunned Croats for 86 consecutive days and reduced it to rubble. After Vukovar fell, the Serbs began the first mass executions of the conflict, killing hundreds of Croat men and burying them in mass graves. The response of the international community was limited. An arms embargo was imposed for all of the former Yugoslavia by the United Nations. However, the Serbs under Milosevic were already the best armed force and thus maintained a big military advantage. By the end of , a U. In April , the U. Sarajevo soon became known as the city where Serb snipers continually shot down helpless civilians in the streets, including eventually over 3, children. Bosnian Muslims were hopelessly outgunned. As the Serbs gained ground, they began to systematically roundup local Muslims in scenes eerily similar to those that had occurred under the Nazis during World War II, including mass shootings, forced repopulation of entire towns, and confinement in make-shift concentration camps for men and boys. The Serbs also terrorized Muslim families into fleeing their villages by using rape as a weapon against women and girls. Despite media reports of the secret camps, the mass killings, as well as the destruction of Muslim mosques and historic architecture in Bosnia, the world community remained mostly indifferent. Thus they remained steadfastly neutral no matter how bad the situation became. Throughout , confident that the U. Bosnian Serbs operated under the local leadership of Radovan Karadzic, president of the illegitimate Bosnian Serb Republic. Karadzic had once told a group of journalists, "Serbs and Muslims are like cats and dogs. They cannot live together in peace. Sights and sounds of the bloody carnage were broadcast globally by the international news media and soon resulted in calls for military intervention against the Serbs. A total of six Muslim towns had been established as Safe Havens in May under the supervision of U. Bosnian Serbs not only attacked the Safe Havens but also attacked the U. NATO forces responded by launching limited air strikes against Serb ground positions. The Serbs retaliated by taking hundreds of U. At this point, some of the worst genocidal activities of the four-year-old conflict occurred. In Srebrenica, a Safe Haven, U. In addition, the Serbs continued to engage in mass rapes of

Muslim females. On August 30, , effective military intervention finally began as the U. The bombardment continued into October. Serb forces also lost ground to Bosnian Muslims who had received arms shipments from the Islamic world. As a result, half of Bosnia was eventually retaken by Muslim-Croat troops. On November 1, , leaders of the warring factions including Milosevic and Tudjman traveled to the U. After three weeks of negotiations, a peace accord was declared. Terms of the agreement included partitioning Bosnia into two main portions known as the Bosnian Serb Republic and the Muslim-Croat Federation. The agreement also called for democratic elections and stipulated that war criminals would be handed over for prosecution. By now, over , Muslim civilians had been systematically murdered. More than 20, were missing and feared dead, while 2,, had become refugees. It was, according to U.

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Encyclopedic text should refrain from such direct critique of the referred author. A suitable alternative would be to refer another author whose ideas oppose the first author. But I believe that Wikipedia articles should be clear of opinions of its authors. I also put the call to action from Kofi Annan back in the conception section because I think this root cause is very important. Hope you find the changes ok. The way it looks now uppercase R and lower case p looks unprofessional. I will edit it to remove the items I think are unjustifiable, and add some tags to the section. I think its purpose it to boost the case for R2P in places like Syria, and by extension any civil war anywhere. R2P very much follows the human security approach not only in terms of the goal of protecting people from violence and insecurity, but also in the desire to provide a workable solution within the current international framework. For this reason, I felt it was worthwhile to identify human security proponents as strong supporters of r2p and briefly explain why. Some earlier examples include the aborted mission in Somalia. It is a novel development, in a historical context, that foreign countries would as a group intervene to protect the citizenry of a government that is unable or unwilling to protect its own people from violence, or that is causing that violence. Those interventions predated the formulation of R2P as a doctrine, but they can be seen as antecedents. A widely criticized application is the US intervention in Iraq which was justified to some degree as protective of the Iraqi people. If you are more cynical about such things, what is novel is that intervention is justified this way or at least that these justifications are given credence. Perhaps an antecedent counterexample would be the old communist bloc rhetoric that justified invasions as "liberation" of the people. The NPR source I added describes what is novel about it. It contains no references and makes bold collective statements. For example take the first two sentences "One of the main concerns surround RtoP is that it infringes upon national sovereignty. The construction uses weasel words and without citations to support it may be in breach of the original research policy. In order to implement RtoP, States and regional organizations need to have the necessary resources to prevent and halt mass atrocities, i. These resources and the necessary capacity building must come from the international community, which has a historic pattern of remaining uninvolved. Full implementation of RtoP is also hindered by the perception that it is being used by western countries to serve their interests when justifying of violations of sovereignty of other countries in developing world, using international institutions west controls. The consequences of Failure to Protect can be severe. For example, in Japan, voters are calling for the a new Prime Minister after he failed to protect them from radiation. There will be no tolerance for the Failure to Protect civilians from harm perpetrated by officials. Failure to Protect is a major subject of its own and should have its own Wikipedia article to enforce the clarity of the subject. I realize that if the discussion becomes active, this material will easily get in the way. When that happens, all these citations can be moved into a sandbox format, if that is the desire of other editors. Protracted displacement in Asia: Law, ethics and governance. Crafting an African security architecture: The international political economy of new regionalisms series. Critical Perspectives on the Responsibility to Protect: Routledge studies in intervention and statebuilding. Taylor and Francis e-Library. State responses to transnational challenges: The evolution of regional security organizations in Africa". Volume 27 of Comparative social research.

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The Kosovo genocide was part of the Kosovo conflict - 99 , in which ethnic Albanians opposed ethnic Serbs and the Yugoslavian government in Kosovo. Ethnic Albanians are removed from their jobs to make room for Serbians, and thousands of Albanians migrate to Western Europe and North America. He supports members of the Serbian minority of Kosovo, who object to the fact that Muslim Albanians are the majority in a region sacred to the Serbs. May Pacifist Kosovars begin creating a shadow government. Kosovar Albanians hold unofficial elections, in which they elect Rugova as their president. He begins to create a shadow government. After several republics attempt to secede from Yugoslavia, war breaks out. As a result, Kosovar Albanians begin to look for more violent means of resisting Serbian control. April 22, The Kosovo Liberation Army launches coordinated attacks. Convinced that passive resistance is no longer sufficient to stop Serbian control, a group calling itself the Kosovo Liberation Army KLA launches a series of attacks on Serbian police stations. They most likely receive financial support from the Kosovo Albanian diaspora. This federation now consists only of Serbia and Montenegro. November 28, The KLA declares its intentions. During a funeral for an Albanian teacher killed by Serbian police, the KLA makes its first public statement. The KLA is later classified as a terrorist organization. January 22, Serb forces begin violent crackdowns on Kosovar terrorism. During an armed operation, Serb forces destroy a house in Prekaz, injuring two women, and they kill a man in Klina. September 23, UN Security Council demands a ceasefire. January 16, Massacre at Racak forces the West to act. Serbian forces massacre 45 civilians, mainly male, at Racak. While killings have continued since the outbreak of the conflict, the massacre at Racak forces the West to intervene. February 6, Diplomatic interventions begin but ultimately collapse. However, negotiations break down in March. Following the failed peace negotiations, NATO launches a series of air strikes against Serbian military targets. The UN moves into Kosovo to administer the peace and to oversee the repatriation of Kosovar refugees, including nearly one million ethnic Albanians. Most Serbs leave the region, and despite the peace there are occasional reprisals against those who remain.

9: Kosovo Genocide, an Ethnic Cleansing by Anthony Newton on Prezi

Kosovo Genocide Timeline Timeline Description: The Kosovo genocide was part of the Kosovo conflict (- 99), in which ethnic Albanians opposed ethnic Serbs and the Yugoslavian government in Kosovo. Part of the Serbs' strategy was a major ethnic cleansing of Albanians.

Holocaust and Genocide Studies Praeger Publishers, , pp. As the scholarly literature on genocide and related topics continues to grow, it often gets bogged down in important but overly complicated debates about definitions, semantics, and legalisms. Excessive focus on these issues, however relevant conceptually, can distract us from a host of very real practical and policy challenges that stand in the way of genocide prevention and punishment. Subtitled "A Guide for Policymakers, Scholars, and the Concerned Citizen," the book is an excellent resource for all of those audiences, and perhaps most of all for university students. The book starts with several chapters that present some of the basic, foundational notions behind the theory, practice, law, and history of genocide. It is a bold undertaking to focus several fairly short chapters on content such as the difference between war and genocide, the Genocide Convention, an overview of "the bloodiest century," "nature versus nurture," the roots of sadism, and a summary of the structure of UN responses to genocide. None of the material in the first few chapters is particularly new or enlightening, but it is useful and novel to see it organized and presented in this ensemble format. However, the scope and depth of topics make the experience of reading the first three or four chapters feel a bit like a mild episode of Attention Deficit Syndrome. Cautioning against the triumphalism of the "end of history" and notions of a "democratic peace" he notes, "the last decade of the twentieth century, when more people lived under democratic governments than ever before, still witnessed plenty of genocide" p. The true value of the book as a guide emerges clearly when the author focuses on issues such as early warning, prevention, and intervention. Indeed, an exploration of intervention strategies lies at the heart of the book—namely the question of the creating of a "third force" as Heidenrich terms it akin to a United Nations "Legion" established to intervene where the Great Powers fear to tread. The second half of the book is a sterling collection of information, perspectives, and options dealing with intervention. Whatever earlier focus was missing is found in chapters on covert action, military expedients, and variations on the notion of a UN standing force. In these sections, Heidenrich effectively covers significant ground, cataloging [End Page] the range of policy options available to nations interested in taking proactive, preventive measures and reactive steps when faced with genocide. While the topics are addressed succinctly, each is extremely informative. Skillfully navigating a number of issues related to peacekeeping and peace enforcement, Heidenrich outlines the complex and frustrating stories of UN forces in Rwanda and Bosnia. Summaries of both episodes serve as excellent mini case studies to highlight the stark and ultimately extremely costly limitations of multinational forces. Heidenrich suggests that to fight effectively, even small transnational forces "must develop an almost intangible quality called unit cohesion" p. He fears, perhaps rightly so, that the ad hoc assembly of international intervention forces makes the development of necessary "collective trust and devotion" nearly impossible, thereby limiting the combat effectiveness of any such force. Heidenrich concludes pessimistically that "as long as governments control the armed forces that they contribute, no multinational force can be a credible deterrent to genocide at all times. For when everyone is officially responsible, no one has to be responsible in practice" p. Airpower, Heidenrich notes, has its limits, but at the same time, it did "eventually help to end the Bosnian war," and "if an endangered people are located far enough away from their persecutors, airpower can help safeguard them in a designated safe zone" p. The idea of using airpower to prevent genocide is particularly timely given the lessons being drawn from Kosovo and Afghanistan. He makes a powerful and urgent statement incorporating the words of another: It is not only the Balkans that can be saved from perpetual conflict; so can other regions torn by ethnic or political violence. An African recipient of the Nobel Prize has asked, Why does the world ignore ethnic cleansing in Africa? And he is right—African genocide is no less a crime against humanity than mass murder in the heart of Europe We must work toward a standing UN force—an army of conscience—that is fully equipped and prepared to carve out human sanctuaries through force if necessary p.

Heidenrich proceeds skillfully to chronicle the origin of the idea of an "international legion of volunteers," the operational and logistical realities of such a force, and its likely prospects for success. He betrays no Pollyannaish leanings about opposition to such an endeavor, but argues forcefully that nothing would be new about such a project, given previously existing practices such as using military personnel in Security Council-mandated peacekeeping or peace-enforcing missions and even having security personnel under secretary-general [End Page] control. The novelty arises simply in the fact "that most of these already existing precedents would be combined into a single standing unit, available to the Security Council for relatively small scale but still risky missions of importance" p. Over the course of two chapters, Heidenrich compiles an extremely useful resource that coherently summarizes the notion of a standing UN force. Recognizing the limits and considerable opposition to any version of a "UN army," he broadens the discussion to include an all-too-brief review of the idea of using mercenaries, or "private military companies," for humanitarian interventions that nation-states are unwilling to undertake with their own forces. Heidenrich challenges us to ask "is the hiring of private military companies, or their nonprofit equivalent, so much worse than new multitudes of refugees and internally displaced persons? Or worse than new multitudes of murdered victims? Many readers will undoubtedly wish Heidenrich had cut short his earlier chapters and devoted more space and analytical overview to the notion of "outsourcing" intervention through the use of military corporations such as Sandline International or the now disbanded Executive Outcomes. Heidenrich has assembled a thorough guide to the myriad issues involved in preventing genocide. The book is well suited for a university class on the issue, particularly at the undergraduate level. Given its encyclopedic coverage, one can easily imagine the book serving as a handy desk reference for students just becoming acquainted with the vast terrain of Holocaust and genocide studies and for more seasoned scholars needing a quick refresher or reference on a specific issue. Given the nature of the topic, it is not surprising that the author raises far more questions than he answers, but the strength of the book is that it challenges the readerâ€”whether an undergraduate international relations major or a Department of Defense analystâ€”to wrestle with, and resolve, the difficult questions about preventing genocide in the new millennium.

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