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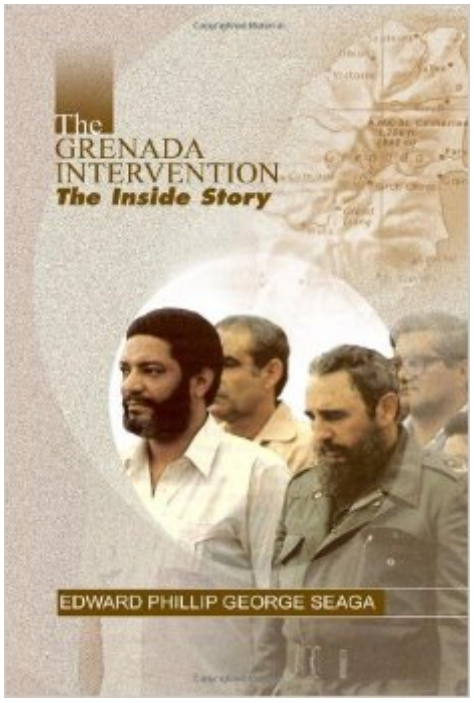

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Synopsis

This publication gives a historical report of the intervention of Grenada led by the United States and several participating Caribbean countries. It takes a unique stance by outlining the pros and cons of the legitimacy of the intervention, offering a balanced summary in critiquing the intervention. It will provide grounds for provocative argument for legal forums and political study groups interested in the challenges faced by democracy in the region.

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Before purchasing this book I anticipated that it would have detailed more of the events leading up to the actual intervention but this was not the case. Despite this, however, the author gave a very good synopsis of these issues. Whilst it is diffult to justify the intervention, taking into account the requirements to be satisfied in international law before invading or intervening (in) a soverign state, the author presented a very good case of the end justifying the means, especially when one becomes aware of the mass of weaponry and ammunition accumulated and of the Cubans soldiers (who effectively put up the resistance to the intervention)disguised as ordinary workers. I feel though, that there are some gaps in the the facts e.g. at one point it was claimed that because of the difficulties of communication that existed it was virtually impossible for the governor general to issue a letter inviting external assistance to restore democracy, however, it later transpired that such a letter was issued by the said governor general without any explanation of how this became possible. All in all the book is a good read and I recommend that one reads it regardless to which side of the debate one stands.

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