Coup in Turkey: A First-Hand Account of the 2016 Failed Military Coup

On the night of July 15-16, 2016, a group of Turkish military officers launched a coup attempt against the government of President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan. The coup attempt failed, but it left a lasting scar on Turkish society and politics.

In this book, journalist Asli Aydıntaşbaş provides a first-hand account of the coup attempt, based on interviews with key figures and analysis of the event's causes and consequences.



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Aydıntaşbaş argues that the coup attempt was the culmination of years of tensions between the Turkish government and the military. She traces the roots of these tensions back to the founding of the Turkish republic in 1923, when the military was given a powerful role in the country's politics.

In the years leading up to the coup attempt, Erdoğan had taken steps to reduce the military's power. He had purged the military of officers who were suspected of being loyal to the Gülen movement, a religious group that Erdoğan accused of being a terrorist organization.

Erdoğan's actions angered many military officers, who felt that he was undermining the military's traditional role in Turkish society. These officers were also concerned about Erdoğan's increasingly authoritarian rule.

On the night of the coup attempt, a group of military officers seized control of several key military installations in Ankara and Istanbul. They issued a statement declaring that they had taken power in Free Download to restore democracy and the rule of law.

However, the coup attempt quickly began to unravel. Erdoğan loyalists in the military and police resisted the coup plotters, and the Turkish people took to the streets to protest against the attempted takeover.

By the following morning, the coup attempt had been defeated. The coup plotters were arrested, and Erdoğan's government was back in control.

In the aftermath of the coup attempt, Erdoğan launched a widespread crackdown on his opponents. He purged the military, the civil service, and the judiciary of anyone who was suspected of being involved in the coup attempt or of supporting the Gülen movement.

Erdoğan's crackdown has drawn criticism from human rights groups, who argue that he is using the coup attempt as a pretext to suppress dissent and consolidate his power.

Aydıntaşbaş's book provides a valuable first-hand account of the 2016 coup attempt in Turkey. She offers a balanced and insightful analysis of the event's causes and consequences, and she sheds light on the complex relationship between the Turkish government and the military.



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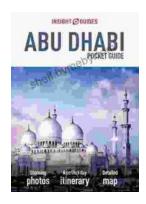
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