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Interventions by **Noam Chomsky** is getting new press after the Pentagon banned the book from Guantanamo Bay's prison library. *The Miami Herald* broke the story on October 11, 2009 and stories followed in *The Washington Independent*, the *Boston Herald*, and other outlets. *Democracy Now!* picked up the story on October 13: "Published in 2007, **Interventions** compiles a series of Chomsky's columns. The Pentagon has refused to explain why the book has been barred."

"Chomsky is a global phenomenon . . . perhaps the most widely read voice on foreign policy on the planet."—*The New York Times Book Review*

Interventions is Noam Chomsky at his best.

Not since his all-time best-selling title, 9/11, published in the Open Media series in 2001, have readers had a timely, short, easy-to-read, affordable Chomsky. Unlike 9/11, *Interventions* is a writerly work—a series of more than thirty tightly argued essays aimed at various aspects of US power and politics in the post-9/11 world. While critical of US military interventions around the globe, each piece in the book is in itself an intellectual intervention aimed at raising public ire about the consequences of US use of power at home and abroad.

Interventions' subjects span from 9/11 and the Iraq war to Social Security and Intelligent Design, South America and Asia, the Israeli occupation of Palestine and the election of Hamas, Hurricane Katrina, and the US concept of "just war."

According to *BusinessWeek*, "With relentless logic, Chomsky bids us to listen closely to what our leaders tell us—and to discern what they are leaving out. . . . Agree with him or not, we lose out by not listening." Chomsky's *Interventions* delivers what readers want: an accessible set of skeleton keys for opening up a wide range of global issues dominating today's political landscape.

Noam Chomsky is the critically acclaimed author of many books, including *Hegemony or Survival*, *Imperial Ambitions, Failed States, Manufacturing Consent*, and *Media Control*.

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