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Analysts from Exclusive Analysis, Ltd., based this first yearbook on information from the company's trove of materials on risk and global opportunities. The volume begins with a "Language of Risk" glossary. Section 1 is a chronological review of reports on specific issues and events that occurred in any part of the world in 2009 and major incident response assessments of events as they occurred. The table of contents for this section is an excellent list of current events for students, and the "Country/Region Index" allows readers to target specific areas of interest. Section 2 contains 11 in-depth essays of emerging trends in various regions, also in chronological order and with cut-off dates. Section 3 provides risk forecasts for 2010 in six broad geographic areas. Section 4 provides risk profiles for every country, including historical overviews, summaries, and risk ratings. Section 5 is made up of appendixes covering significant incidents on the sea and in aviation, energy, mining, finance, and nongovernmental organizations; political risk events; wars; civil unrest; terrorism; jihad; country risk ratings by country and rating; and continent maps. The maps, pixilated gray-tone reproductions, are probably the only weakness in this work. Black-and-white tables, charts, and a few photos accompany many entries. One would expect a yearbook will be published annually, but no ISSN is provided. **BOTTOM LINE** Although pricey, this one-volume source is packed with information that academics and students in political science, security, or international business programs would find invaluable. An excellent source for detailed political and terrorism risk analysis; highly recommended for academic libraries as well as public libraries with users in international business.

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