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Noel James Coulson 1969

Professor Coulson's method is to examine the principal currents of Islamic legal thought through a series of conflicting concepts. The six polarizations he has devised are revelation and reason, unity and diversity, authority and liberty, idealism and realism, law and morality, and stability and change. Although clearly relevant to general Islamic studies, this book is intended primarily as a study in comparative law. This follows the trend of recent developments in the Islamic legal system itself. In the past, Muslim law has been regarded essentially as a brand of religious studies. Now, however, it is being separated from religion and becoming a province of legal science rather than a matter of religious expertise.

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Islamic Jurisprudence on the Regulation of Armed Conflict

Nesrine Badawi 2019-10-01

In Islamic Jurisprudence on the Regulation of Armed Conflict, Nesrine Badawi offers a survey of key Islamic legal texts on the subject and analyses the relationship between their deductive structures and the contexts witnessed at the time of their development.

A History of Islamic Law

N. J. Coulson 2011

The classic introduction to Islamic law, tracing its development from its origins, through the medieval period, to its place in modern Islam.

Democratization and Islamic Law

Johannes Harnischfeger 2008

When democracy was introduced to Nigeria in 1999, one-third of its federal states declared that they would be governed by sharia, or Islamic law. This work argues that such a break with secular constitutional traditions in a multicultural country can have disastrous consequences.

Culture, Religion and Conflict in Muslim Southeast Asia

Joseph A. Camilleri 2013

By examining the sometimes surprising and unexpected roles that culture and religion have played in mitigating or exacerbating conflicts, this book explores the cultural repertoires from which Southeast Asian political actors have drawn to negotiate the pluralism that has so long been characteristic of the region. Focusing on the dynamics of identity politics and the range of responses to the socio-political challenges of religious and ethnic pluralism, the authors assembled in this book illuminate the principal regional discourses that attempt to make sense of conflict and tensions. They examine local notions of “dialogue,” “reconciliation,” “civility” and “conflict resolution” and show how varying interpretations of these terms have informed the responses of different social actors across Southeast Asia to the challenges of conflict, culture and religion. The book demonstrates how stumbling blocks to dialogue and reconciliation can and have been overcome in different parts of Southeast Asia and identifies a range of actors who might be well placed to make useful contributions, propose remedies, and initiate action towards negotiating the region’s pluralism. This book provides a needed regional and comparative analysis that makes a significant contribution to a better understanding of the interfaces between region and politics in Southeast Asia.

Identity and Social Conflict in France and Britain

Sean Michael Castilla 2006

Social tensions and conflicts between Muslims and non-Muslims in France and Britain have escalated in recent years. Examples include the 2001 British race riots and the 2005 French riots. Many scholars posit these tensions are the result of an unavoidable clash of Western and Islamic civilizations. Contrary to such arguments, the hypothesis of this research is that the failure of France and Britain to provide an adequate social identity for their Muslim communities is the catalyst for social conflict between French and British Muslims and non-Muslims. Issues for Islam and the accommodation of the Islamic faith in school systems in France and Britain are analyzed to support this hypothesis.

Islam in Global Politics

Bassam Tibi 2012-03-12

Reaching beyond traditionally politicized scholarship to provide a unique perspective on the place of religion and culture in global and local politics, this book examines the impact of Islam on ‘civilizational’ relations between different groups and polities. Bassam Tibi takes a highly original approach to the topic of religion in world politics, exploring the place of Islam in society and its frequent distortion in world politics to the more radical Islamism. Looking at how this becomes an immediate source of tension and conflict between the secular and the religious, Tibi rejects the ‘clash of civilizations’ theory and argues for the revival of Islamic humanitarianism to help bridge the gap. Chapters expand on: inter-civilizational conflict in global politics dialogue between religious and secular, East and West.

Religious Conflict from Early Christianity to the Rise of Islam

Wendy Mayer 2013-08-29

Conflict has been an inescapable facet of religion from its very beginnings. This volume offers insight into the mechanisms at play in the centuries from the Jesus movement’s first attempts to define itself over and against Judaism to the beginnings of Islam. Profiling research by scholars of the Centre for Early Christian Studies at Australian Catholic University, the essay documents inter- and intra-religious conflict from a variety of angles. Topics relevant to the early centuries range from religious conflict between different parts of the Christian canon, types of conflict, the origins of conflict, strategies for winning, for conflict resolution, and the emergence of a language of conflict. For the fourth to seventh centuries case studies from Asia Minor, Syria, Constantinople, Gaul, Arabia and Egypt are presented. The volume closes with examinations of the Christian and Jewish response to Islam, and of Islam’s response to Christianity. Given the political and religious tensions in the world today, this volume is well positioned to find relevance and meaning in societies still grappling with the monotheistic religions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

Muslim Civic Cultures and Conflict Resolution

John N. Paden 2006-03-30

The question of whether Islam is compatible with democracy may best be answered not from the classical sources or even from the cairdren of Middle East politics but from the lived experiences of Muslim communities around the world. In large and diverse regions, the varied political values of different cultures can make or break the democratic experiment. Regardless of their cultural context, transitions from military to civilian rule require attention to the grassroots civic cultures that form the foundations of democratic federalism. John Paden, a noted expert on West African and Islamic societies, uses Nigeria as a critical case study of how a diverse country with a significant Muslim population is working to make the transition to a democratic society. Although little-studied, the non-Arab Muslim communities of West Africa are an important indicator as to whether Islamic democracy in a diverse nation is possible. Nigeria’s success is vital to regional and global stability. As the largest country in Africa, with a population that is about half Muslim and half Christian or traditional animist, Nigeria is also the seventh largest producer of oil in the world and has gone through a series of political traumas ranging from civil war to military rule. The current democratic government is trying to balance rule-of-law concerns at a time when many communal tensions are coming to the surface. Muslim Civic Cultures and Conflict Resolution in Nigeria takes us inside the complex world of Nigerian politics, with a focus on the ways Muslim civic cultures deal with matters of leadership and conflict resolution. The book provides an essential contribution to the current international concern with issues ranging from Shari’a law and communal violence, to the broader war on terrorism. It argues that the requirement for regional political cooperation serves as a counterbalance to more extreme forms of political expression. Paden shows that if the Nigerian political model of democratic federalism works, then there is a real world, peaceful alternative to the “clash of civilizations” predicted by the intellectual world and threatened by al Qaeda.

Crescent and Dove

Qamar-ul Huda 2010

Crescent and Dove looks at the relationship between contemporary Islam and peacemaking by tackling the diverse interpretations, concepts, and problems in the field of Islamic peacemaking. It addresses both theory and practice by delving into the intellectual heritage of Islam to discuss historical examples of addressing conflict in Islam and exploring the practical challenges of contemporary peacemaking in Arab countries, Turkey, Iran, Pakistan, and Indonesia.

Seeds of Conflict

2004
Islam, Ethnicity, and Conflict in Ethiopia—Terje Østebø 2020-09-30 Focusing on the role of religion and ethnicity in times of conflict, Terje Østebø investigates the Muslim-dominated insurgency against the Ethiopian state in the 1960s, shedding new light on this understudied case in order to contribute to a deeper understanding of religion, inter-religious relations, ethnicity, and ethno-nationalism in the Horn of Africa. Islam, Ethnicity and Conflict in Ethiopia develops new theoretical perspectives on the interrelations between ethnic and religious identities, considering ethnic and religious groups as mutually exclusive categories by applying the term peoplehood as an analytical tool, one that allows for more flexible perspectives. Exploring the interplay of imagination and lived, affective reality, and inspired by the ‘materiality turn’ in cultural- and religious studies, Østebø argues for an integrated approach which recognizes and explores embodiment and emplacement as intrinsic to the formation of ethnic and religious identities.

Cultures and Globalization—Helmut K Anheier 2007-04-13 This first volume in the five volume Cultures and Globalization series analyses conflicts and tensions: the cultural dimensions of conflict and the conflictual dimensions of culture.

The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order—Samuel P. Huntington 2007-05-31 The classic study of post-Cold War international relations, more relevant than ever in the post-9/11 world, with a new foreword by Zbigniew Brzezinski. Since its initial publication, The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order has become a classic work of international relations, and the most influential books on international relations ever written about foreign affairs. An insightful and powerful analysis of the forces driving global politics, it is as indispensable to our understanding of American foreign policy today as it was to our understanding of American foreign policy yesterday. As former National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski says in his new foreword to the book, “it has earned a place on the shelf of only about a dozen or so truly enduring works that provide the quintessential insights necessary for a broad understanding of world affairs in our time.” Samuel Huntington explains how clashes between civilizations are the greatest threat to world peace but also how an international order based on civilizations is the best safeguard against war. Events since the publication of the book have proved the wisdom of that analysis. The 9/11 attacks and wars in Iraq and Afghanistan have demonstrated the truth of Huntington’s warnings; but they have also shown how vital international cross-civilization cooperation is to restoring peace. As ideological distinctions among nations have been replaced by cultural differences, world politics has been reconfigured. Across the globe, new conflicts—and new cooperation—have replaced the old order of the Cold War era. The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order shows how the explosive unraveling of the Cold War leaves us with two competing visions of the post-Cold War world: the West-centric vision of Francis Fukuyama, and the East-centric vision of Samuel Huntington.


Islam and the West—Bernard Lewis 1994-10-27 Hailed in The New York Times Book Review as “the doyen of Middle Eastern studies,” Bernard Lewis has been for half a century one of the West’s foremost scholars of Islamic history and culture, the author of over two dozen books, most notably The Arabs in History, The Emergence of Modern Turkey, The Political Language of Islam, and The Muslim Discovery of Europe. Eminent French historian Robert Mantran has written of Lewis’s work: “How could one resist being attracted to the books of an author who opens for you the doors of an intellectual universe so vast that we risk being overwhelmed by his authorship, and who has written so many books?...?” In Islam and the West, Lewis presents his lifelong study of the Islamic world, focusing on what he calls the “West’s compulsion to plan,” which he believes is rooted in a “convulsion of the soul” that haunts the Western mind and is a call for change and transformation. The challenge for the United States, as the world’s leading superpower, is to respond to this compulsion. The challenge for the United States, as the world’s leading superpower, is to respond to this compulsion. A matchless guide to the background of Middle East conflicts today, Islam and the West presents the seasoned reflections of an eminent authority on one of the most intriguing and little understood regions in the world.

How Violence Shapes Religion—Ziya Meral 2018-08-23 Religion and violence are intrinsic to the human story. By tracing their roots in human experience, Meral reveals that it is violence that shapes religion.


Islam and the New Sectarianism—Geneive Abdo 2016-12-01 “The New Sectarianism considers the causes for growing Sunni-Shi’a animosity in countries such as Iran, Syria, Yemen, Iran, and Saudi Arabia. It illustrates how the two groups perceive one another and the causes of conflicts and why they have become so intense...”

Islam—Theodore E. Bowers 2017-02-14 What do you know about the Islamic religion? This book provides a non-technical overview of the religion. It also provides some insights into the tensions and conflicts between Islamic and the Judo-Christian religion. Who was Muhammad? Who is Allah? Is Islam a religion of peace? Does Jihad always involve violence? Besides the conflicts in the Middle East and Africa, what makes the Muslim emigration to Europe and United States so dangerous? This book will provide some timely information regarding the world events of today.

Violent Conflicts in Indonesia—Charles A. Coppel 2006-04-07 Indonesia is currently affected by many serious conflicts which have arisen as a result of a variety of ethnic, religious and regional tensions. Presenting important new thinking on violent conflict in the world’s largest Muslim-majority nation, this book examines a selection of conflicts in detail and discusses the nature of violence and the reasons behind violent outbreaks. Chapters include analysis of conflicts in Aceh, East Timor, Maluku, Java, West Kalimantan, West Papua and elsewhere. The contributors provide analysis of political, ethnic and nationalistic killings, with a concentration on the post-Suharto era. The book goes on to examine vital questions concerning the way in which violence in Indonesia is represented in the media, and explores ways in which violent conflicts could be resolved or prevented. The last section turns the focus onto the forms of violence and forms of justice and retribution.

Inexorable Conflict Or Opportunity—U.S. Army War College 2014-07-21 The Middle East has been a source of conflict since recorded time. It is the locale of the struggle for Muslim identity and legitimacy. The Christian West and the United States have played a causal role in Muslim setbacks there. In the eyes of Middle Eastern Muslims, current issues and problems are mysteriously, emotionally, and eternally tied to the past - a past that has been threatened by Western advancement and progress. Such perceptions in the Muslim Middle East have led to resentment and defiance toward the West. The challenge for the United States, as the world's leading superpower, is to formulate a sound, effective strategy to remove the sources and conditions of Islamic extremism and to allay discontent and disaffection in the Arab world. The United States and the West must acquire a greater cultural understanding of Islam and the region in order to ease current tensions and contribute to regional stability. The United States and its allies must understand the effects of their actions and policies on Middle Eastern Muslims. They must acknowledge a modern Muslim identity which is deeply and emotionally tied to its past – a past greatly influenced by history, Western Christianity, and modern U.S. policies.

Ethnic Conflict and Civic Life—Ashtohut Varshney 2008-10-01 What kinds of civic ties between different ethnic communities can contain, or even prevent, ethnic violence? This book draws on new research on Hindu-Muslim conflict in India to address this important question. Ashtohut Varshney examines three pairs of Indian cities—one city in each pair with a history of communal violence, the other without a history of communal conflict. He shows how the two groups perceive one another and the causes of conflicts and why they have become so intense...”

The Origins of the Civil War in Tajikistan—Tim Eppenbach 2016-10-26 In May 1992 political and social tensions in the former Soviet Republic of Tajikistan escalated to a devastating civil war, which killed approximately 40,000-100,000 people and displaced more than one million. The enormous challenge of the Soviet Union’s disintegration compounded by inner-elite conflicts, ideological disputes and state failure triggered a downward spiral to one of the worst violent conflicts in the post-Soviet space. This book explains the causes of the Civil War in Tajikistan with a historical narrative reviewing long term structural causes of the conflict originating in the Soviet transformation of Central Asia since the 1920s as well as short-term causes triggered by Prezestoka or Glassnet and the rapid dismantling of the Soviet Union. For the first time, a major

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publication on the Tajik Civil War addresses the many contested events, their sequences and how individuals and groups shaped the dynamics of events or responded to them. The book scrutinizes the role of regionalism, political Islam, masculinities and violent non-state actors in the momentous years between Perestroika and independence drawing on rich autobiographical accounts written by key actors of the unfolding conflict. Paired with complementary sources such as the media coverage and interviews, these autobiographies provide insights how Tajik politicians, field commanders and intellectuals perceived and rationalized the outbreak of the Civil War within the complex context of post-Soviet decolonization, Islamic revivalism and nationalist reaffirmation.

Faith and Sword—Alan G. Jamieson 2006-06-26 "Faith and Sword explores the long and bloody history of the Muslim-Christian conflict, and examines the causes of present-day tensions between Islamic nations and the secular West. This book examines the Christian-Muslim conflict through all its stages and shows how our current situation has emerged. Ranging from Morocco to Indonesia, and from Russia to Somalia, it sheds light on the complex and religious dynamics that form the background to one of the most important conflicts of our time."—BOOK JACKET.

The Shia Revival: How Conflicts within Islam Will Shape the Future—Vali Nasr 2007-04-17 A New York Times Bestseller “Historically incisive, geographically broad-reaching, and brimming with illuminating anecdotes.”—Max Rodenbeck, New York Review of Books Iran-born scholar Vali Nasr has become one of America’s leading commentators on current events in the Middle East, admired and welcomed by both media and government for his “concise and coherent” analysis (Wall Street Journal, front-page profile). In this “remarkable work” (Anderson Cooper), Nasr brilliantly dissects the political and theological antagonisms within Islam, providing a unique and objective understanding of the 1,400-year letter struggle between Shiias and Sunnis and shedding crucial light on its modern-day consequences.

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Islam’s Predicament with Modernity—Bassam Tibi 2009-02-25 Islam’s Predicament with Modernity presents an in-depth cultural and political analysis of the issue of political Islam as a potential source of tensions and conflict, and how this might be peacefully resolved. Looking at the issue of modernity from an Islamic point of view, the author examines the role of culture and religion in Muslim society under conditions of globalisation, and analyses issues such as law, knowledge and human rights. He engages a number of significant studies on political Islam and draws on detailed case studies, rejecting the approaches of both Orientalists and apologists and calling instead for a genuine Islamic pluralism that accepts the equality of others. Situating modernity as a Western product at the crux of his argument, he argues that a separation of religion and politics is required, which presents a challenge to the Islamic world. This critical analysis of value conflicts, tensions and change in the Islamic world will be of interest to scholars and advanced students of international relations, social theory, political science, religion, Islamic studies and Middle Eastern studies.

Creed & Grievance—Abdul Raufu Mustapha 2018 Analyses the complexities of Christian-Muslim conflict that threatens the fragile democracy of Nigeria, and the implications for global peace and security.

Black Wave—Kim Ghattas 2020-01-28 A New York Times Notable Book of 2020 “[A] sweeping and authoritative history” (The New York Times Book Review), Black Wave is an unprecedented and ambitious examination of how the modern Middle East unraveled and why it started with the pivotal year of 1979. Kim Ghattas seamlessly weaves together history, geopolitics, and culture to deliver a gripping read of the largely unexplored story of the rivalry between Saudi Arabia and Iran, born from the sparks of the 1979 Iranian revolution and fueled by American policy. With vivid story-telling, extensive historical research and on-the-ground reporting, Ghattas dispels accepted truths about the world she calls home. She explores how Sunni Saudi Arabia and Shia Iran, once allies and twin pillars of US strategy in the region, became mortal enemies after 1979. She shows how they used and distorted religion in a competition that went well beyond geopolitics. Feeding intolerance, suppressing cultural expression, and encouraging sectarian violence from Egypt to Pakistan, the war for cultural supremacy led to Iran’s fate against a President Bush and the assassination of countless intellectuals, the birth of groups like Hezbollah in Lebanon, the September 11th terrorist attacks, and declare some of ISIS. Ghattas introduces us to a riveting cast of characters whose lives were upended by the geopolitical drama over four decades: from the Pakistani television anchor who defied her country’s dictator, to the Egyptian novelist thrown in jail for indecent writings all the way to the murder of journalist Jamal Khoshoggi in the Saudi consulate in Istanbul in 2018. Black Wave is both an intimate and sweeping history of the region and will significantly alter perceptions of the Middle East.

Fields of Fire— 2009 “Fields of fire - an atlas of ethnic conflict provides a concise, authoritative commentary on each of the nearly one hundred ethnic conflicts around the world, with a summary of key dates, events and demographic data, together with specially drawn maps providing a geographical context. ”—Amazon.co.uk

Dialogue and Conflict Resolution—Per弥lle Riker 2016-03-09 Dialogue is typically hailed as a progressive force fostering mutual understanding and resolving conflicts. Can it really carry such a burden? Does dialogue really resolve conflicts? In this unique volume international experts critically assess the political role of dialogue, addressing its potential and limitations. Bringing fascinating insights to bear they examine the theoretical underpinnings and conceptual boundaries of a tool for conflict resolution. Major recent crises such as the Russo-Georgian war in 2008, the conflict between Western powers and Gaddafi’s Libya, arguments over Iran’s nuclear programme, religious tensions in Egypt after the Arab Spring, the Afghan case, Srebenice experience and the recent Russo-Ukraine conflict are all considered and the conflict resolution attempts discussed. Using these cases the contributors explore in depth the nature of the dialogue between the actors, the extent to which it worked and what determined its impact.

Contemporary Turkey in Conflict—Tahir Abbas 2017 New perspectives on ethnic relations, Islam and neoliberalism have emerged in Turkey since the rise of the Justice and Development Party (AKP) in 2002. Placing the period within its historical and contemporary context, Tahir Abbas argues that it is to be ethically, religiously and culturally Turkish has been transformed. He explores how issues of political trust, social capital and intolerance towards minorities have characterised Turkey in the early years of the 21st-century. He shows how a radical neoliberal economic and conservative outlook has materialised, leading to a clash over the religious, political and cultural direction of Turkey. These conflicts are defining the future of the nation.

Muslim-Christian Conflicts—Suad Joseph 2020-11-25 This book focuses on tensions between Christians and Muslims in one part of the large area where the two religions meet: the Eastern Mediterranean and the Nile Valley. It addresses the questions: What does religion mean in people's daily lives? In what ways is it a component of ethnic identity?

The Martyrs of Cordoba—Jessica A. Coope 1995-01-01 Between 850 and 859 (Christian Era), the Muslim government of Cordoba ordered the execution of forty-eight Christians. With few exceptions, these Christians invited execution by committing capital offenses: some appeared before the Muslim authorities to denounce Mohammed; others, Christian children of mixed Islamic-Christian marriages, publicly proclaimed their Christianity. Coope investigates the origins of this “martyrs’ movement” in Cordoba, then flourishing as a center of Islamic culture. She cites the fears of radical Christians that conversions to Islam were on the increase and that still more Christians were being assimilated into Arab Muslim culture. These fears were well-founded, and the executions further divided Cordovan Christians: some believed the executed to be martyrs, others argued that these were not martyrs but fanatics and troublemakers. For their part, the Muslim authorities, disposed to be tolerant, would have preferred sectarian peace; the martyrs were given every opportunity to recant. Using Christian sources (particularly the hagiographies of Sts. Eulogius) and Arabic accounts to understand the complex tensions in Muslim Spain between and among the Muslim majority and Christian minority. Coope presents a valuable and fresh view of this society at the apogee of al-Andalus, Muslim Spain. Jessica A. Coope is an assistant professor of history at the University of Nebraska Lincoln.

Contesting Symbolic Landscape in Jerusalem—Yitzhak Reiter 2014-05-07 In 2006 a dispute broke out regarding an initiative by the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles (backed by Israeli authorities) to construct a Museum of Tolerance (MoT) in West Jerusalem. The museum was to
be built on a plot of land that in the past had been part of the historic Muslim Mamilla Cemetery, which since the 1980s has served as a municipal parking lot. Debate centred on whether construction of a museum dedicated to human dignity on Muslim cemetery land was justified. The Northern Islamic Movement and a group of 70 academics and eight Israeli civil society organizations (including rabbis) opposed the project, but their petition to Israel's High Court of Justice failed. Yizhak Raiter presents the public and legal dilemmas at the individual level (an act of insensitivity to the Muslim minority in Jerusalem); at the political level (the right of equal treatment by the state and the right to administer holy properties [waqf] according to religious law and rulings of sharia [Islamic law] courts); and at the universal level (can conflict over a holy place be addressed objectively from the ideological/political positions that the place symbolizes, and is a secular civil court competent/appropriate to adjudicate a religious conflict). Research for this book integrates a multi-disciplinary approach involving history, identity politics, and conflict resolution. Sources include documents obtained from the Shari’a Court of Jerusalem and Israel’s High Court of Justice, as well as Islamic law and civil law literature, reports of experts submitted to the courts, and personal participation of the author, including discussions with key players and informants. The Mamilla dispute reflects a microcosm of conflicts over religious and national symbols of cultural heritage as well as Jewish majority/Arab minority tensions within Israel.

The Middle East in Turmoil: Conflict, Revolution, and Change-William M. Habeeb 2012-02-14 From Islamic extremism in Algeria to civil war in Iraq, this volume provides in-depth coverage of political and cultural conflict in the Middle East. • Supplies an introductory chapter that describes the critical factors that have shaped Middle East politics over the past half century, providing a lead-in to the complex discussions for non-expert readers • Assesses the potential sources of internal conflicts and division within individual countries or subregions as well as its external conflicts, thereby identifying the links between these internal and external points of contention • Specifically addresses Egypt, the Gulf states, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, the Maghreb, Saudi Arabia, Syria, and Yemen in dedicated chapters • Recognizes and explains the prominent role of nonstate actors—including national liberation movements, transnational political movements, militant political parties, and terrorist organizations—and of foreign powers in determining Middle East politics

Business in Islam-Robert J. Stefan 2019 “Christian mission organizations have enthusiastically embraced “business” as a means of entry for Christian workers who might not otherwise be able to get into these nations, especially MMNs. However, the embracing of business raises some immediate concerns. In light of existing tensions between business and Islam, won’t missions-connected businesses be under the same cloud of conflict? More importantly, isn’t the Gospel put under this cloud, thereby negatively impacting the spread of the kingdom of God? Also, if the business-and-mission companies’ expatriate owners and employees are western (especially American) won’t the conflicts inevitably intensify? And if so, are there ways such entities can be operated in order to minimize the conflict with Islamic sensitivities? This book will address these and other related questions.”—Publisher.

Islamic Marriages and Related Matters-South African Law Commission 2000

The World in Conflict-John Andrews 2016-01-14 The Earth is riven by dangerous and shifting faultlines. Since the previous edition of The World in Conflict, we have witnessed the apparent collapse of Isis in Syria and the reawakening of the Troubles in Ireland. Donald Trump first goaded and then mollified North Korea, the world’s most enigmatic nuclear power, before provoking Iran into renewing its atomic ambitions. And alongside traditional warzones, a new set of global battle lines are being drawn across cyberspace. Join the veteran Economist journalist John Andrews on a tour of the ancient enmities and imminent collisions that define conflict in the twenty-first century. Region by region discover the causes, contexts, participants and likely outcomes of every globally significant violent struggle now underway. From drug cartels to cyber war, this is the indispensable guide for anyone who wants to understand our perilous world.
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