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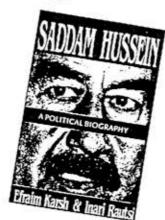
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Originally scheduled for June, this title by the associate editor of the Financial Times traces Hussein's path to power for the general reader. Among the topics examined are Hussein's complicated family ties and their effect on Iraqi society.

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Unlike the "instant" books that have caricatured Saddam Hussein as "the strong-

man of Baghdad," this serious in-depth biography by two specialists on Middle East history seeks to go beyond the stereotype. Three years in the works, this book combines an examination of Hussein's mind with an analysis of Gulf politics and history.



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against the Kuwaitis has become Knightsbridge's first New York Times paperback best seller, and the publisher has produced a hardcover edition for the library and institutional market that includes an Amnesty International report and other material not in the paperback edition.

Sciolino, Elaine.

The Outlaw State: Saddam Hussein's Quest for Power and the War in the Gulf. Wiley. Jun. 1991. 310p. ISBN 0-471-54299-7. \$22.95.

To tie in with current events in the Gulf, Wiley pushed this title from September to June. Written by New York Times diplomatic correspondent Sciolino, it will combine coverage of the war with Sciolino's personal experiences in Iraq and the Middle East.

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For an alternative viewpoint on the Gulf crisis, this title and its Spanish-language version feature ten U.S.-initiated resolutions adopted by the United Nations Security Council and speeches related to those resolutions by Cuban President Fidel Castro and Ricardo Alarcon, the Cuban ambasssador to the U.N.