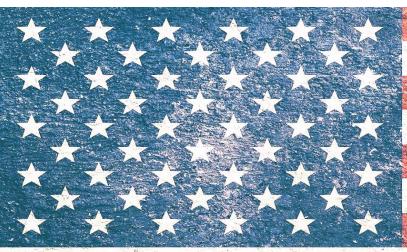


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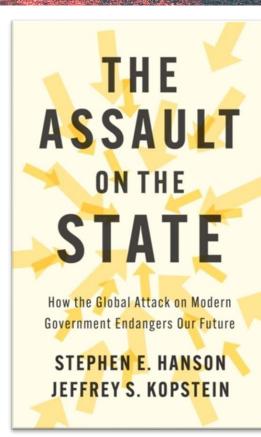
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## Trump and the Assault on the State

Across the world, in countries as diverse as Hungary, Israel, and the U.S., attacks on the modern state and its workforce are intensifying. These attacks are led by self-aggrandizing politicians who attempt to seize control of the state for themselves and their cronies. What replaces the modern state —professional government agencies organized under the rule of law— once it is fatally undermined is an earlier, more destructive form of politics. In a lecture based on his new book with Stephen Hanson, The Assault on the State: How the Global Attack on Modern Government Endangers Our Future, Jeffrey Kopstein describes the dangers of state erosion and outlines a strategy that can reverse this destructive trend.

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