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results from opinion surveys. Whether relations between the two countries improve or deteriorate depends on the policies adopted by the current U.S. and Mexican administrations. New leaders in both countries are in a position to tackle common interests and take advantage of new opportunities without the baggage of past missteps and suspicions.--Publisher description.
