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divisiveness and criticism in others. To quote the author: "Bombs, Bullets and Politicians explores how terrorism, which is in essence a

democracies, alters the behaviour of the political elite and affects the overall dynamic of party politics. Whether it shuts down party politics and brings the political debate to a standstill or on the contrary

exacerbates the tension between the government and the opposition,

negation of the political debate at the heart of representative

terrorism never fails to disrupt the political game in profound ways." The opening chapters provide important context in two key areas: defining terrorism and understanding party politics in democracies. From here the manuscript moves on to discuss issues of national security in western democracies and comparative examination of key events between 1990-2006 in order to capture both pre- and post-9/11 periods for the study. The latter chapters provide an in-depth case study of France covering the period from 1980 through to the present and including the most recent Paris attacks."--