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Sommario/riassunto	Kimberly B. Stratton investigates the cultural and ideological motivations behind early imaginings of the magician, the sorceress, and the witch in the ancient world. Accusations of magic could carry the death penalty or, at the very least, marginalize the person or group they targeted. But Stratton moves beyond the popular view of these accusations as mere slander. In her view, representations and accusations of sorcery mirror the complex struggle of ancient societies to define authority, legitimacy, and Otherness.Stratton argues that the

concept "magic" first emerged as a discourse in ancient Athens where it operated part and parcel of the struggle to define Greek identity in opposition to the uncivilized "barbarian" following the Persian Wars. The idea of magic then spread throughout the Hellenized world and Rome, reflecting and adapting to political forces, values, and social concerns in each society. Stratton considers the portrayal of witches and magicians in the literature of four related periods and cultures: classical Athens, early imperial Rome, pre-Constantine Christianity, and rabbinic Judaism. She compares patterns in their representations of magic and analyzes the relationship between these stereotypes and the social factors that shaped them. Stratton's comparative approach illuminates the degree to which magic was (and still is) a cultural construct that depended upon and reflected particular social contexts. Unlike most previous studies of magic, which treated the classical world separately from antique Judaism, *Naming the Witch* highlights the degree to which these ancient cultures shared ideas about power and legitimate authority, even while constructing and deploying those ideas in different ways. The book also interrogates the common association of women with magic, denaturalizing the gendered stereotype in the process. Drawing on Michel Foucault's notion of discourse as well as the work of other contemporary theorists, such as Homi K. Bhabha and Bruce Lincoln, Stratton's bewitching study presents a more nuanced, ideologically sensitive approach to understanding the witch in Western history.

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Nota di contenuto	Front Matter -- Karriere und Weggefährten -- Als KPD-Leiter in Stockholm -- In den Händen der schwedischen Sicherheitspolizei -- Die Freiheit bleibt beschnitten -- Enttäuschung und Wandel -- Konspiration gegen Wehner -- Die Akte Wehner in Ost-Berlin -- Zusammenfassung -- Back Matter
Sommario/riassunto	Bisher unveröffentlichte Dokumente aus schwedischen Archiven, der Gauck-Behörde und dem Zentralen Parteiarchiv (KPD/SED) in Berlin sowie aus dem Nachlass Herbert Wehners bringen Klarheit in einen wichtigen Teil der Biographie eines der bedeutendsten deutschen Nachkriegspolitiker. Herbert Wehners aktive Tätigkeit als Spitzenfunktionär der KPD im schwedischen Exil wird ebenso beleuchtet wie die Umstände seiner Verhaftung und der anschließende Prozess gegen ihn. Im Mittelpunkt steht Wehners komplizierte Abkehr vom Kommunismus, die endgültig mit der Zwangsvereinigung von KPD und SPD in der Sowjetischen Besatzungszone im Frühjahr 1946 vollzogen war. Da der Verratsvorwurf unbegründet war, mussten die wiederholten Versuche der SED und ihres Geheimdienstes, Wehner mit seiner Vergangenheit zu erpressen, erfolglos bleiben. Die von Ostberlin forcierte Legendenbildung um Wehners Verhalten in Schweden gibt

zudem neue Aufschlüsse über Mechanismen kommunistischer
Kaderpolitik und Erpressungsmethoden der Staatssicherheit.
