Record Nr. UNINA9910457389403321 Autore Managhan Tina Titolo Gender, agency and war: the maternalized body in US foreign policy // Tina Managhan New York:,: Routledge,, 2012 Pubbl/distr/stampa 1-283-44209-4 **ISBN** 9786613442093 0-203-12618-1 1-136-45453-5 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (185 p.) Collana War, politics and experience;; 2 327.73001 Disciplina Soggetti Women and peace - United States - History Women and war - United States - History Electronic books. United States Foreign relations 20th century United States Foreign relations 21st century Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Introduction: reading international relations through bodies, reading the maternal body as political event -- The vicissitudes of life: women's complex entanglement with peace and war -- Shifting the gaze from hysterical mothers to deadly dads: spectacle and the antinuclear movement -- Mothers, biopolitics and the Gulf War -- Grieving dead soldiers, disavowing loss: Cindy Sheehan and the im/possibility of the American antiwar movement -- Conclusion: the maternal body as alibi: understanding the centrality of the maternal body to sovereign representation. Sommario/riassunto This book traces practices of militarization and resistance that have emerged under the sign of motherhood in US Foreign Policy. Gender, Agency and War examines this discourse against the background of three key moments of American foreign policy formation: the antinuclear movement of the 1980s, the Gulf War of the early 1990s, and the recent invasion of Iraq. For each of these moments the author

explores the emergence of a historically specific and emblematic

maternalized mode of female embodiment (ranging from the 'hysterical' antinuclear protester to the figure of 'Superm