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| Sommario/riassunto      | Stephen M. Duncan draws on a lifetime of military, public service, executive, and legal experience to argue with unusual insight and candor why the quality and performance of senior political appointees who are charged even in part with the nation's security must be improved, and offers specific recommendations on how this can be accomplished. This timely book will appeal to Americans of all political persuasions, as well as those with particular interests in political and military history.                             |