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Sommario/riassunto	Contemporary world history has highlighted militarization in many ways, from the global Cold War and numerous regional conflicts to the

general assumption that nationhood implies a significant and growing military. Yet the 20th century also offers notable examples of large-scale demilitarization, both imposed and voluntary. This work fills a key gap in current historical understanding by examining demilitarization programs in Germany, Japan, Honduras, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Costa Rica.
