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work inside Saudi Arabia, the book offers a detailed, up-to-date survey

and assessment of all the key sectors of the elites in the country. The author examines how the succession pr