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Sommario/riassunto	Approaching the early decades of the "Iron Curtain" with new questions and perspectives, this important book examines the political and cultural implications of the communists' international initiatives. Building on recent scholarship and working from new archival sources, the seven contributors to this volume study various effects of international outreach-personal, technological, and cultural-on the population and politics of the Soviet bloc. Several authors analyze

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