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Literature remains one of the few disciplines that reflect the experiences, sensibility, worldview, and living realities of its people. Contemporary African literature captures the African experience in history and politics in a multiplicity of ways. Politics itself has come to intersect and impact on most, if not all, aspects of the African reality. This relationship of literature with African people's lives and condition forms the setting of this study. Tanure Ojaide's *Indigeneity, Globalization, and African Literature: Personally Speaking* belongs with a well-established tradition of personal reflections on literature by African creative writer-critics. Ojaide's contribution brings to the table the perspective of what is now recognized as a "second generation" writer, a poet, and a concerned citizen of Nigeria's Niger Delta area. .
