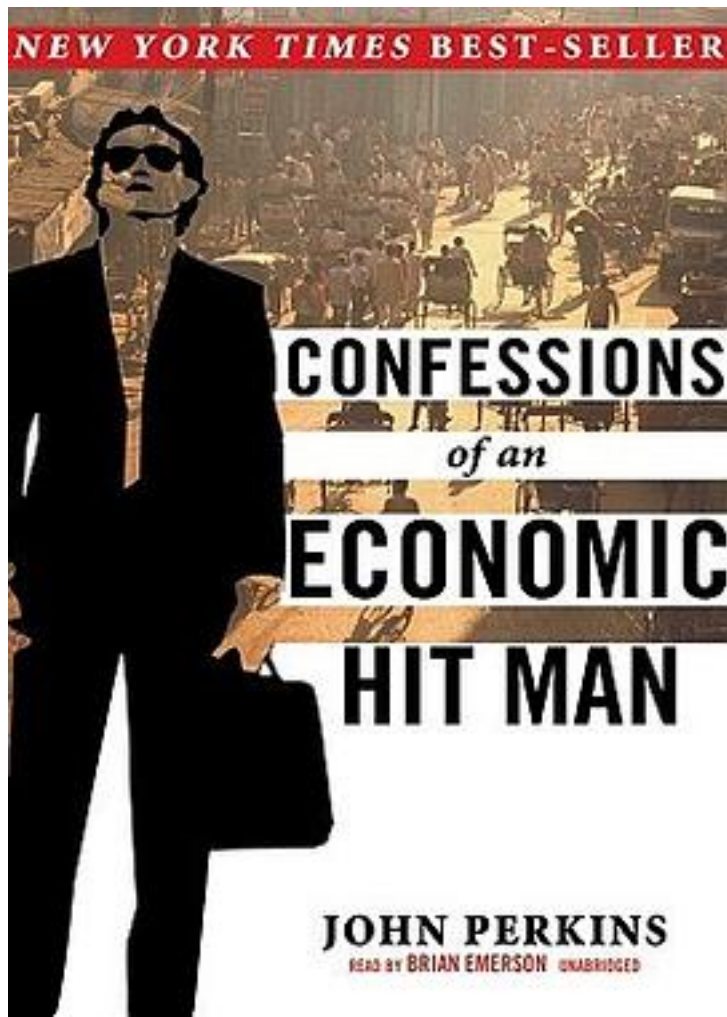


# Confessions of an Economic Hit Man



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As an Economic Hitman (EHM), John Perkins helped further American imperial

interests in countries such as Ecuador, Panama, Indonesia and Saudi Arabia. As Chief Economist for the international consulting firm Chas. T. Main, he convinced underdeveloped countries to accept massive loans for infrastructure development and ensured that the projects were contracted to multinational corporations. The countries acquired enormous debt, and the US and international aid agencies were able to control their economies. He tried to write this book four times but was threatened or bribed each time to halt. The events of 9/11 - a direct result of the activities of EHMs in the 1970s - finally forced him to confront the role he played himself, and to reveal the truth to the rest of the world. Confessions of an Economic Hit Man has become a word-of-mouth bestseller in the US. It has been called the book that finally 'connects the dots, the book that best explains what is really going on in the world'.

## 作者介绍:

John Perkins (b. January 28, 1945 in Hanover, New Hampshire) is an activist and author. His best known book is Confessions of an Economic Hit Man (2004), an insider's account of the exploitation or neo-colonization of Third World countries by what Perkins describes as a cabal of corporations, banks, and the United States government. His 2007 book, The Secret History of the American Empire, makes further claims about the negative impact of global corporations on the economies and ecologies of poor countries, as well as offering suggestions for making corporations behave more like good citizens.

Perkins has also written an introduction to the 2007 book A Game as Old as Empire: the Secret World of Economic Hit Men and the Web of Global Corruption (edited by Steven Hiatt), a collection of accounts from investigators, journalists and other economic hitmen. The book offers further evidence of economic hit men and rebuts some of the criticism that Perkin's book Confessions of an Economic Hit Man received.

Perkins attended Tilton School for high school, Middlebury College, and Boston University School of Management during the 1960s. He spent the 1970s working for the consulting firm Chas. T. Main, where he was employed after first being screened by the National Security Agency (NSA) and subsequently hired by Einar Greve, a member of the Firm (and alleged NSA liaison, a claim which Greve has denied). Perkins was trained early in his career by a beautiful, older woman who was armed with the psychological profile gathered about him by the NSA after many days of pre-employment screening, as one of many "economic hit men" advancing the cause of corporate hegemony.

As a former chief economist at Boston strategic-consulting firm Chas. T. Main, Perkins says that he "was an 'economic hit man' for 10 years, helping U.S. intelligence agencies and multinational corporations cajole and blackmail foreign leaders into serving U.S. foreign policy and awarding lucrative contracts to American business.

After several years struggling internally over the role he was playing in crippling foreign economies, he quit his consulting job. In the 1980s Perkins founded and directed a successful independent energy company. In the book Confessions of an Economic Hit Man, Perkins states that he suspects the success of his company was due to 'coincidences' orchestrated by those appreciative of his silence about the work he did as an economic hit man. He then sold the energy company in the late 1980s. Since then he has been heavily involved with non-profit organizations in Ecuador and around the world. He continues this work today, in addition to his writing. One of his organizations, Dream Change, is dedicated to shifting consciousness and promoting

sustainable lifestyles for the individual and global community.

John Perkins and his role as Economic Hitman (EHM) is the main theme in part II of the movie Zeitgeist: Addendum, released October 2008. He also appears in the documentary movie "Let's make money" (in german) by the Austrian director Erwin Wagenhofer, released October 2008.

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第一次真正意义上完整看完一部原版书。查词真的很辛苦，不过看完以后无形中加快了阅读速度，对Reading和词汇帮助很大。以前一直觉得看英文小说很装逼而且浪费时间，真正看了一本以后发现收获是很值得的。真本事在道德上批判了老美在冷战时候的一些特别是小国的作为。包括他们是怎么做的。对了解冷战中美国的经济政策有帮助。好就这样！

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A book from John Perkins 's book "Confessions of an Economic Hit Man" Who is this person? A man who called himself a "ex" E.H.M. which ... " Economic hit men (EHMs) are highly paid professionals who cheat countries around the globe out of trillions of...

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作者对国际经济和贸易的理解其实并不深刻，对于社会经济运行的深层机理并不了解，所以会有很多乌托邦式的想法。Economic Hit Man的存在本身就是个噱头，作者以此来招徕读者，窃以为并不高尚的做法。作者在后来的章节中有点草木皆兵，有点被迫害妄想症，什么事情都能往EHM和帝...

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看完《货币战争》之后，很想看这本书。据说本书写于2001年，是perkins的自传，曾经屡立奇功的他，在911事件后感觉到美国遭世人的痛恨，就是出于他们这类人的所谓出色工作，因而下定决心说出真相。但是由于涉及到一些利益和避免无妄之灾，改成小说形式。出版社也曾顶着巨大压力...

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