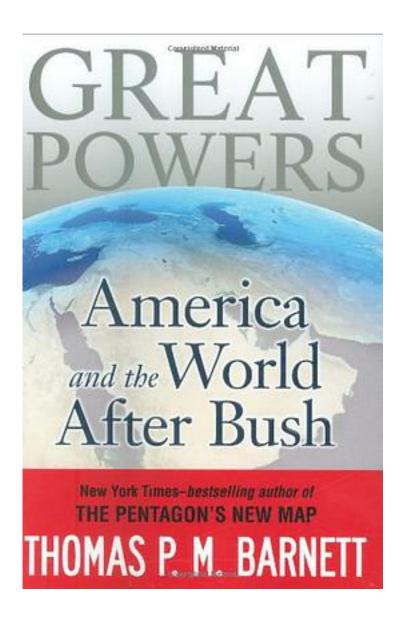
## **Great Powers**



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The author of the groundbreaking New York Times bestseller The Pentagon's New Map brings us a remarkable analysis of the post-Bush world, and America's leadership role in it.

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