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African perspective on Trump 2.0: United States Foreign Policy and the New World (Re)Order is the first book of its kind from the African academy. Before the establishment of the University of Pretoria's Centre for the Study of the United States, a scholarly African Institution for the study of America was scarce on the African continent. As such, both the Centre and this inaugural volume set new milestones for the ways Africans understand and engage America. America, Europe and Asia have studied Africa for decades, not only to inform their respective citizens, but to use that knowledge to advance their interests in our continent. This initial volume serves as a valuable countercheck to that agenda. It deals with all the major themes essential for Africans to understand the recasting of America's foreign policy, including, but not limited to foreign policy, immigration, economic nationalism, security and geopolitics. Africans should celebrate this pathbreaking milestone, and it is certain that students, policymakers and citizens will learn from it.

—**Abdi Samatar,** Professor of Geography and Global Studies, University of Minnesota, USA, Extraordinary Professor at the University of Pretoria, South Africa and member of the Pan African Parliament**.**

African voices and perspectives on American politics in general have been relatively thin and negligible. It is as if only American scholars can analyse and evaluate African politics, because Africa has much to learn from the United States of America (US), however, African scholars cannot do the same for America because they have nothing to teach America. Considering the status of the US as a world power and the far-reaching consequences of its foreign policy, especially with President Trump's ongoing efforts at 'Making America Great Again' on the global stage, this slant is patently untenable. This volume represents a bold statement on the

need for a paradigm shift and reconfiguration of the analysis of US politics by African scholars. It not only presents critical African perspectives on various aspects of US foreign policy toward Africa and the Global South under Trump's second presidency, which is increasingly turning global geopolitics upside down, but it also shows why they matter and ought to be taken seriously, not the least because of Africa's rising influence in the evolving new world order. By breaking the boundaries of a putative, but untenable scholarly division of labour that does not reckon much with analyses of American politics and foreign policy by African scholars, this book is a tradition-breaker that should excite scholars, students and practitioners of international relations, US foreign policy and US-Africa relations.

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African Perspectives on Trump 2.0: United States Foreign Policy and the New World (Re)Order is a timely and incisive intervention in debates about America's changing role in the world. By foregrounding African scholars' analyses of Trump 2.0's foreign policy—from trade and critical minerals to immigration, aid, security, and geopolitics—this volume powerfully recentres a continent that is too often treated as peripheral to great-power politics.

The chapters illuminate not only how Trump's transactional and nationalist agenda reverberates across Africa, but also how African actors are exercising agency, re-imagining partnerships, and rethinking their place in an emerging multipolar order. This collection makes an important contribution to the decolonisation of International Relations knowledge production and will be essential reading for scholars, students, diplomats, and policymakers seeking to understand what Trump 2.0 means for Africa and for global disorder during the interregnum.

—**W. Andy Knight**, Distinguished Professor of International Relations, University of Alberta, Canada.