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Until recently economic globalization appeared to be a central and enduring reality of our world. However, the existing international economic order has been called into question by events of the past few years. Around the world, political movements, political parties, and political leaders have attacked existing patterns of international trade, finance, and investment, as well as the international institutions that have overseen them for 75 years. What explains the growing hostility toward "globalism," and toward the domestic and international political institutions that have supported it since World War II? What might the ongoing backlash against globalization mean for the world economy, for international politics, and for the American economic and political system?



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