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## Greg Grandin

"Empire's Workshop: The Latin American Roots of the Bush Doctrine"

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The Arrogance of Empire: An Assessment of the Bush Doctrine. Vijay Prashad.Â The United States government, the Bush Doctrine states, dominates world affairs and it will do everything possible to maintain this strategic position of dominance. To justify this new direction, the Bush administration is using the terror attacks of 9/11.Â But the general outline of the policy follows the basic argument made by civilian Hawks within the US right wing whose roots stretch, at least, to the 1976 Committee on the Present Danger. The first section of this essay will show how the language in the current Bush Doctrine draws on and recycles earlier texts, notably the work of Dick Cheneyâ€™s Team B from the administration of Bush the Elder.