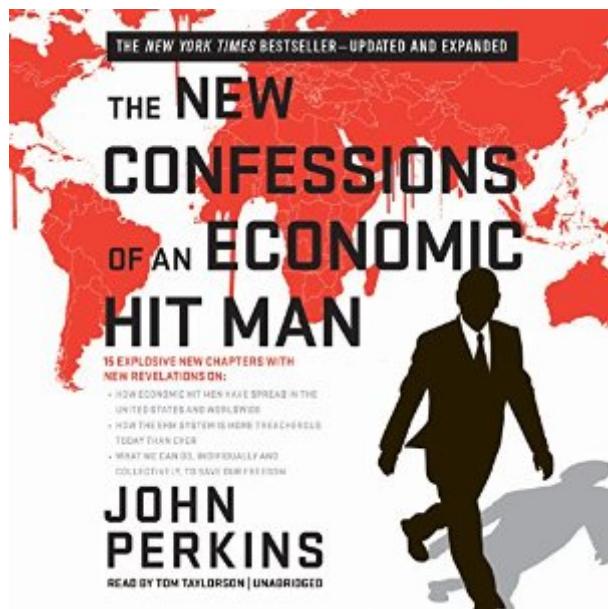


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# The New Confessions Of An Economic Hit Man



## Synopsis

The New York Times best seller, updated and expanded, featuring 15 explosive new chapters. The previous edition of this now-classic book revealed the existence and subversive manipulations of "economic hit men". John Perkins wrote that economic hit men (EHM) "are highly paid professionals who cheat countries around the globe out of trillions of dollars. Their tools include fraudulent financial reports, rigged elections, payoffs, extortion, sex, and murder". In Perkins' case, the tool was debt - convincing strategically important countries to borrow huge amounts of money for enormous "development" projects that served the very rich while driving the country deeper into poverty and debt. And once indebted, these countries could be controlled. In this latest edition, Perkins provides revealing new details about how he and others did their work. But, more importantly, in an explosive new section, he describes how the EHM tools are being used around the world more widely than ever - even in the United States. The cancer has metastasized, yet most people still aren't aware of it. Fear and debt drive the EHM system. We are hammered with messages that terrify us into believing that we must pay any price, assume any debt, to stop the enemies who, we are told, lurk at our doorsteps. The EHM system - employing false economics, bribes, surveillance, deception, debt, coups, assassinations, and unbridled military power - has become the dominant system of economics, government, and society today. It has created what Perkins calls a "death economy". But Perkins offers hope: He concludes with dozens of specific, concrete suggestions for actions all of us can take to wrest control of our world away from the economic hit men and help give birth to a life economy.

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## Customer Reviews

John Perkins is an acclaimed author whose work ranges from personal and planetary healing and transformation to exposing the dark side of global political and economic structures, which he once served. *Confessions of an Economic Hitman* became a bestseller in the last decade and now Perkins has updated the book with new revelations and analysis of events that have occurred since then, leading up to the middle of 2015. The title of the book is rather apropos, as the global political and economic systems are dominated by mafia style values and mechanisms. Those who don't agree to play along with the bribery and blackmail often get targeted by a hit of one kind or another. Perkins explains how these operations have played out during the past several decades, while most importantly he concludes the book with his recommendations for how the people of Earth can turn the tide and create systems that serve the well-being of the planet and all of its inhabitants. Whether it's the U.S. covert operations in Latin America or the Middle East, the role of China and Russia in the current era, Wall Street banking interests, mortgage rackets, or other vital pieces of the puzzle, Perkins has valuable insights. This book presents a sobering look at the reality of the imperial forces that have dominated civilization and sewn destruction throughout the world. With lots of new details and impressive accolades from activists such as Yoko Ono and from the recent Finance Minister of Greece, this book will be awakening even more people to the devious machinations that have taken power away from the people as the global corporate finance mafias monopolize the resources of the planet and attack anyone who stands in their way.

My friend Stan is approaching his 50th and in his old age is becoming a bit of a conspiracy theorist. He emailed me a list of books to read, most of which are not easy to find, but *Confessions* was on it, so I ordered the new, expanded book to see what the fuss is all about. For starters, the "15 explosive new Chapters with new Revelations" are a waste of time. Whereas in the original you find yourself riding with John Perkins in Ecuador, Panama, Iran, Boston, Jakarta and Washington, in the second part you're reading his interpretation of public information and it's got to be said that this particular reading of it is covered much better by authors like Glenn Greenwald, Naomi Klein, John Mackey, Jeff Sachs etc. The man has little to add. The first part's alright, on the other hand. In what is quite a tight narrative, you find out about the life and times of a Robert McNamara / Indiana Jones wannabe as he jumps from the Hilton to the Intercontinental, from Panama to

Indonesia, from his wife to his clandestine girlfriend, leaving behind him a trail of destruction. Not quite, but not too far from it either. It's cool. But it's also grumpy. It's basically like that Jim Rogers book with the yellow Mercedes on the front cover, except the guy swaps girls and uses the plane a lot. And rather than buy stocks along the way, he sells electricity projects, basically, and feels very bad about it because these people don't need electricity, apparently. Oh, and he's so negative about everything. That's the downer. The guy feels so guilty, you know. Not guilty enough not to idolize the mythical à œjackalsâ • who hop from town to town to execute non-compliant dictators, but, you know, guilty.

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