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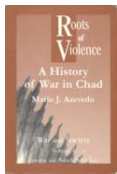


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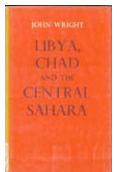
Books on Chad & Neighboring Region

In the last *The Hot Zone* I promised a ‘Chad-centered’ counterpart to the former DCM’s list of readings on Africa. Here it is. A few notes on it: I– Contrary to Casey’s, the books on this list are not ordered in any way other than by language (books in English first.) II– The last 4 are brand new acquisitions. I haven’t read them yet, so no comment from me or Lucy, just a general observation. I included them on the strength of reviews that I have read on them (and which led me to get them in the first place.)



Roots of Violence: A History of War on Chad, by M. J. Azevedo

Comment: A comprehensive and well written analysis of the violence that has affected Chad both in pre- and post-colonial times. Good general history.



Libya, Chad and the Central Sahara, by J. Wright

Comment: Required reading to understand the age-old relationships between the northern and southern sides of the central Sahara. BTW, this one is a Sheryl find!



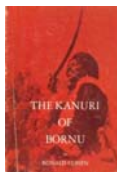
Health-vulnerability in a Complex Crisis Situation: Implications for Providing Health Care to Nomadic People in Chad, by M. Wiese

Comment: Ignore the title! Your one book source for everything you will ever need to know on nomads.



Democrats without Democracy? Attitudes and Opinions on Society, Religion, and Politics in Chad, by H. Dickow

Comment (by Lucy): Public opinion surveys by a German sociologist. Good insights into Chadian society.



The Kanuri of Bornu, by R. Cohen

Comment: A short but interesting read on the descendents of the people of the Kanem-Bornu kingdom (who today live in the NE corner of Nigeria up to Lake Chad.)



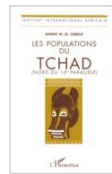
Art Rupestre en Ennedi, by G. Bailloud

Comment: An incredibly well put together and bi-lingual (English & French) book on rock paintings and engravings in NE Chad.



Les Racines du Ciel, by R. Gary

Comment (by Lucy): The classic novel about life, love and elephants in Central Africa. Made into a movie by John Huston, with Errol Flynn and Orson Wells. Also available in English as “The Roots of Heaven.”



Les Populations du Tchad (Nord du 10e Parallèle), by A. Lebeuf

Comment: A short and a bit simplified look at the various ethnic groups in Chad. If you are not writing a PhD dissertation on the topic, this may very well be all you need!



Cahiers d’Histoire, published by Centre Al Mouna

Comment: A series published locally every 2 months, each issue being a compilation of short texts on various topics of the history and geography of Chad.



La Cuisine du Désert, by G. & L. Laurendon

Comment: 50 easy recipes from the best kitchens of the Sahara desert!



Les Peuple Tchadien, by J. Chapelle

Obs.: The bible on the peoples of Chad, by the premier Chad-ologist himself.



Nomades Noirs du Sahara, by J. Chapelle

Obs.: More from the premier Chad-ologist.



Souvenirs du Sahel, by J. Chapelle

Obs.: Even more from the premier Chad-ologist.



Sahéliens et Sahariens du Tchad, by A. Le Rouvreur

Obs.: More on the peoples of Chad by yet another famous expert on the country.