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### **Anthropology/Archaeology**

Crossing Borders : Selected Papers from the 13<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the European Association of Southeast Asian Archaeologists, Volume 1 / Mai Lin Tjoa-Bonatz, Andreas Reinecke & Dominik Bonatz (Editors)

Singapore: NUS Press, 2012

xix. 350p. ; 30cm.

ISBN-13: 9789971696429

1. Excavations (Archaeology) – South Asia – Congresses
2. Historic sites – Southeast Asia – Congresses
3. Funeral rites and ceremonies – Southeast Asia – Congresses

\$ 62.00 / PB

962 gm.

Based on recent field research and excavation finds, the contributions in this volume focus on cultural practices and materials which reflect processes of integration, specification and diversification in the prehistory and early history of Southeast Asia. With chapters on the variability and distribution of lithic assemblages, funerary practices, the spread of Neolithic cultures and field agriculture, and the development of Metal Age remains, different approaches are presented to interpret these phenomena in their specific environmental context.

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Connecting Empires and States : Selected Papers from the 13<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the European Association of Southeast Asian Archaeologists, Volume 2 / Mai Lin Tjoa-Bonatz, Andreas Reinecke & Dominik Bonatz (Editors)

Singapore: NUS Press, 2012

xx. 392p. ; 30cm.

ISBN-13: 9789971696436

1. Excavations (Archaeology) – South Asia – Congresses
2. Historic sites – Southeast Asia – Congresses
3. Archaeology and art – Southeast Asia – Congresses

\$ 62.00 / PB

1060 gm.

Drawing on a broad range of disciplines, the contributions gathered in this volume focus particular attention on early state formation, development of material cultures and the transfer of iconographic concepts from late prehistoric to historic times. With chapters on the archaeology and history of the Indonesian archipelago, the multi-directional flows of Buddhist art in Southeast Asia, art and architecture of the Khmers, traditions and actions of various ethnic groups, specific regional phenomena are addressed in order to provide a resource for comparative perspectives.

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## Art

On Conservation : Perspectives from the Heritage Conservation Centre / Loh Heng Noi,  
Timothy Hayes (Editors)

Singapore: Heritage Conservation Centre, 2010

58p. ; 27cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810871222

\$ 25.00 / PB

266 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145315>

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Lee Wen : Lucid Dreams in the Reverie of the Real

Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2012

199p. ; 25cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810718817

Singapore Contemporary Artists Series

\$ 30.00 / PB

644 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145316>

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Visual Culture : SAM/Exhibition in print 01 : The Portraiture Issue / Jason Toh (Editor)

Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2012

90p. ; 28cm.

ISSN: 2251-1504

\$ 16.90 / PB

366 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145317>

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Speak To Me, Walk With Me / Amanda Heng

Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2011

223p. ; 25cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810700874

Singapore Contemporary Artists Series

\$ 45.00/ PB

716 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145318>

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Hyung Koo Kang : The Burning Gaze

Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2011

83p. ; 26cm.

Includes bibliographical references and index

ISBN-13: 9789810899943

\$ 25.00 / PB

570 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145319>

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The Collectors Show : Asian Contemporary Art from Private Collections - Chimera

Singapore: Singapore Art Museum, 2012

110p. ; 26cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810710927

\$ 29.50 / HB

468 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145320>

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Southeast Asian Contemporary Art Now / Marc Bollandsee  
Singapore : Straits Times Press, 2012  
172p.  
9789814342315  
\$ 90.00 / HB

Five years of travel, research and interviews have enabled the author to give an extensive overview of the cutting-edge art practices in the region, including painting, sculpture, installation, video, photography and performance. An in-depth essay covers the situation of the art scenes in the six selected countries and situates Southeast Asian Contemporary Art in a global context. Faithful to his signature method, the author has interviewed around 200 artists to come up with a final selection of 23. These artists have been selected on the perceived quality of content and emotion that are combined with the appropriate raw materials and the latest technology in their artworks. It has been an explicit objective to cover most of the media used by the artists from the region. Vivid discussions with artists, art critics, gallery owners and leading collectors have allowed the author to share and fine-tune his opinions

Final artworks have been selected in collaboration with the artists, and the interaction with them has enabled the author to unlock some of the clues that allow the reader to better understand the content. Outstanding digital technology applied to top-class high resolution images has produced a unique presentation of an anthology of 91 artworks from private collections all over the world

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### **Communication / Journalism**

OB Markers : My Straits Times Story / Cheong Yip Seng  
Singapore : Straits Times Press, 2012  
452p.; 32pp. Photographs  
9789814342339  
\$ 29.50 / HB

Cheong Yip Seng's memoir is much more than just a "deep-background – off-the-record" of Lee Kuan Yew's years as Singapore's no. 1 newsmaker. It is a **chronological and sensitive explanation of how the Republic's newspaper of record was shaped by Mr Lee** – and, more important, why he took it upon himself to do so. This memoir could not come at a more appropriate time, when Singapore's third generation leaders find themselves in headwinds of public opinion the first Prime Minister dealt with with a firm hand. Whether times have changed and Singapore's current leadership can no longer deal with The Straits Times the way Mr Lee dealt with Cheong Yip Seng and his predecessors is a question this book throws up. The answer is a subject worthy of debate among the myriad self-appointed and untrained citizen journalists, who really should read this book for their own much needed enlightenment. It is also for anyone interested in the future of Singapore, for its accounts of what constituted "out of bounds" up until 2006 show how such areas could possibly be navigated now. As Cheong's memoir of The Straits Times for more than four decades reveals, **the rationale for the Singapore media model may be hard to accept for many liberals**. But this model has been sufficiently successful to keep Singapore's newspaper of record one of the most successful in the world.

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Asian Communication Handbook / Sundeep R. Muppidi (Editor)

6<sup>th</sup> Edition

Singapore: Asian Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC) and  
Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information, Nanyang Technological University,  
2012

466p. ; 25cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814136181

AMIC Asian Communication Series

\$ 90.00 / PB

754 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144765>

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Public Service Broadcasting and Its Role in Raising Civic Consciousness : Case Studies from  
Asia / Sundeep R. Muppidi & Premila Manvi (Editors)

Singapore: Asian Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC) and  
Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information, Nanyang Technological University,  
2012

148p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814136167

AMIC Asian Communication Series

\$ 26.00 / PB

206 gm.

In the past two decades, public service broadcasting (PSB) around the world has witnessed intense competition and pressure from commercial broadcasters, as well as a whole range of new media channels. How is PSB withstanding this competition and how relevant are such channels in today's society? This book explores the role of media in democratic societies and specifically that of PSB's in Asia. It presents case studies from nine Asian countries. These studies document the Asian experience in PSB while exploring if there is a role that such networks are playing (or can play) in creating a civic conscious society.

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Development Communication in Directed Social Change : A Reappraisal of Theory and  
Practice / Srinivas R. Melkote (Editor)

Singapore: Asian Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC) and  
Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information, Nanyang Technological University,  
2012

vi. 266p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814136150

AMIC Asian Communication Series

\$ 35.00 / PB

352 gm.

In this book, the authors address one, some, or many of the following: documenting, studying, analyzing, constructing, and deconstructing the role and place of development communication scholarship and practice in directed social change. Importantly, this volume attempts to re-conceptualize and re-operationalize the real meaning and goal of development today and then proceeds to look at development communication scholarship and practice in terms of its fit and niche within a more appropriate goal of directed social change.

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Peoples' Voices, Peoples' Empowerment : Community Radio in Asia and Beyond / Kalinga Seneviratne (Editor)  
Singapore: Asian Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC) and Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information, Nanyang Technological University, 2012  
344p. ; 23cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814136174  
AMIC Asian Communication Series  
\$ 32.00 / PB  
442 gm.

Community radio expanded rapidly in Latin America and Africa in the 1980s and the 1990s, while in Asia it was slow to take off, mainly due to government indifference. The Philippines is often described as having Asia's most liberal media environments, yet, Louie Tabing, the founder of Tambuli Community Radio describes his country's media as a system of PPPPP-profit, propaganda, power, politics, privilege and/ or prestige. What Tabing argues is applicable to most countries in Asia, and the clamour for community radio has been driven by a desire to giving a voice for the "voiceless" masses. Thus, in recent years, community radio activists have been able to open up Asia's airwaves for community radio broadcasting - sometimes without official government sanction. In Thailand, when the government called for applications for community radio broadcasting licenses over 6000 applied, while in Indonesia, since the arrival of the "Reformasi" era after the downfall of Suharto in 1998, there's been over a 1000 community radio stations established all over the country. Almost all of these have been unlicensed. Nepal has over 100 community radio stations and its first community radio broadcaster Radio Sagarmatha today calls itself a public service broadcaster. With Indian government slowly opening up the airwaves for community radio broadcasting, it is predicted that within 5 years there could be over 4000 community radio stations operating across the sub-continent. Thus, community radio in Asia is now well on the way to becoming perhaps the mainstream communication medium for both rich and the poor, and the urban and the rural populations in Asia. This book is thus a timely look at how the community media movement has developed across Asia in the past 2 decades with insights from practitioners and researchers across Asia.

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## **Cookery**

Ask the Foodie: Kitchen Knowhow Explained / Chris Tan  
Singapore : Straits Times Press, 2012  
272p.  
9789814342261  
\$ 26.00 / PB  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145324>

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Asian Larder : Common and not-so-common ingredients de-mystified / Sylvia Tan  
Singapore : Straits Times Press, 2012  
228p.  
9789814342216  
\$ 22.00 / PB  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145325>

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## **Economics/Development Studies**

The Sixteenth Singapore Economic Roundtable, November 2011 / Manu Bhaskaran, Faizal bin Yahya (Editor)

Singapore: Straits Times Press Reference, 2012

82p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814342223

1. Singapore – Economic policy – Congresses
2. Singapore – Economic conditions – Congresses

Singapore Economic Policy

\$ 26.00 /PB

176 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144961>

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Achieving the ASEAN Economic Community 2015 : Challenges for Member Countries & Businesses / Sanchita Basu Das (Editor)

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2012

xxvi. 347p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814379649

1. Southeast Asia – Economic integration – Congresses
2. Business enterprises – Southeast Asia – Congresses
3. Regionalism – Southeast Asia – Congresses
4. ASEAN – Congresses

\$ 42.90 / PB

490 gm.

ASEAN leaders proclaimed to create an ASEAN Economic Community by 2015. But achieving the target requires cooperation and coordination both within and among the ten ASEAN economies. Currently, with countries having varying considerations towards complete liberalization, protectionism still persists in certain sectors of the economies. Lot of work needs to be done in addressing the domestic reforms, the gaps in infrastructure, the lack of human resources and adequate institutions. Moreover, it is the businesses whose decisions and actions will help the region to achieve an effective integration. The policymakers have vital roles to play in raising the engagement of the private businesses in ASEAN matters. As time is limited, one way for ASEAN is to focus on "core" elements of integration and implement them earnestly in the shortest possible time. The rest of the process, as envisaged in the AEC blueprint, can follow beyond 2015. This book examines the state of readiness of the member countries for regional integration and discusses the challenges to ASEAN businesses. It gives policy recommendations to address some of the issues faced by the key stakeholders.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144354>

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## **Environment**

Caterpillars of Singapore's Butterflies / Horace Tan and Khew Sin Khoon

Singapore: National Park Board, 2012

208p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810715571

\$ 24.00 / PB

436 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145326>

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## History

Floating on a Malayan Breeze : Travels in Malaysia and Singapore / Sudhir Thomas Vadaketh

Hong Kong, Singapore: Hong Kong University Press and NUS Press, 2012

9789888139316 (HK)

9789971696474 (NUS)

viii, 282p.

\$ 28.00 / PB

What happens when a country splits apart? Forty-seven years ago, Singapore separated from Malaysia. Since then, the two countries have developed along their own paths. Malaysia has given preference to the majority of Malay Muslims - the bumiputera, or sons of the soil. Singapore, meanwhile, has tried to build a meritocracy - ostensibly color-blind, yet more encouraging perhaps to some Singaporeans than to others. How have these policies affected ordinary people? How do these two divergent nations and their peoples now see each other and the world around them?

Seeking answers to these questions, two Singaporeans set off to cycle around Peninsular Malaysia, armed with a tent, two pairs of clothes and a daily budget of three US dollars each. They spent 30 days on the road, cycling through every Malaysian state, and chatting with hundreds of Malaysians. Not satisfied, they then went on to interview many more people in Malaysia and Singapore. What they found are two countries that have developed economically but are still struggling to find their souls. Despite the historical and cultural links, the invisible political line has increasingly become a powerful force for mistrust and misunderstanding.

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Shh ... Keeping Quiet for Too Long and Now Telling All / Siti Hanifah Mustapha

Singapore: Siti Hanifah Mustapha, 2011

vi. 164p. ; 18cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810891947

1. Biography

\$ 40.00 / PB

408 gm.

Travel through time as a librarian recounts her experiences from 1950s Singapore till the present.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145330>

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Lee Kuan Yew : The Crucial Years / Alex Josey

Reprint

Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2012

vii. 630p. ; 22cm.

Includes index

ISBN-13: 9789814398367

1. Lee, Kuan Yew, 1923-

2. Prime ministers - Singapore - Biography

3. Singapore - Politics and government - 1945-1963

\$ 26.00/ PB

772 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145331>

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Zubir Said : The Composer of Majulah Singapura / Rohana Zubir  
Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2012  
xx. 280p. ; 27cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814311816

1. Zubir Said, 1907 – 1987
2. Composers – Singapore - Biography

\$ 42.00 / HB  
1230 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145333>

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Our Gurkhas : Singapore Through Their Eyes / Zakaria Zainal  
Singapore: Wee Editions, 2012

ix. 94p. ; 19cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810730260

1. Gurkha soldiers – Singapore – History – 20<sup>th</sup> century
2. Singapore – History – 20<sup>th</sup> century

\$ 22.00 / HB  
308 gm.

Gurkhas. The word evokes images of an elite force dedicated to protect and serve. Loyal and impartial, these men from Nepal have undergirded the security of Singapore through turbulent times-like the Indonesian Confrontation, Hock Lee Bus Riots and Maria Hertogh Riots-as well as stood guard at historic events, like the first General Election of Singapore 1959.

Through this poignant anthology of portraits and anecdotes, experience first-hand accounts of key milestones in Singapore's history, and marvel at the contribution of the silent sentinels who have dedicated their lives to this nation.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145335>

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## Literature

Literary Singapore : A Directory of Contemporary Writing in Singapore  
Singapore: National Arts Council, 2012

171p. ; 25cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810717216

\$ 16.00 / PB  
502 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145336>

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Ah ... the Fragrance of Durians and Other Stories / David Leo  
2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

Singapore: Ethos Books, 2012

First published in 1993 by EPB Publishers

128p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810710255

1. Short stories

\$ 17.00 / PB  
134 gm.

In this collection of distinctively Singaporean short stories we meet people we know and think we understand, but do we really?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144974>

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Beyond the Village Gate / Mei Ching Tan  
2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

Singapore: Ethos Books, 2012

First published in 1994 by EPB Publishers

143p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810877545

1. Foster children – China – Fiction

\$ 17.00 / PB

152 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145339>

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Crossing Distance / Mei Ching Tan

2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

Singapore: Ethos Books, 2012

First published in 1995 by EPB Publishers

118p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810731038

1. Short stories - fiction

\$ 17.00/ PB

130 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145340>

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Wives, Lovers & Other Women / David Leo

2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

Singapore: Ethos Books, 2012

First published in 1995 by EPB Publishers

185p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810711139

1. Wives – fiction
2. Women – Fiction

\$ 18.00 / PB

190 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144976>

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A Whole Neu World : 18 months in Laos / Neu Wee Teck

Singapore: Ethos Books, 2012

157p. ; 19cm.

ISBN-13: 9789810731366

1. Neu, Wee Teck
2. Voluntarism – Laos
3. Laos – Social life and customs
4. Volunteers – Laos – Biography

\$ 17.00 / PB

156 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144972>

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Vanishing Point / Felix Cheong

Singapore : Ethos Books, 2012

156p. 20cm.

9789810733865

\$ 20.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145341>

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Let Me Tell You Something About That Night : Strange Tales / Cyril Wong  
2nd Ed.

Singapore : Ethos Books, 2012

140p.; 20cm.

9789810733872

\$ 19.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145342>

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Yeng Pway Ngon Poems / (Tr) Alvin Pang, Judith Huang, Goh Beng Choo  
Singapore :The Literary Centre, 2012

5v.

9789810737931

\$ 45.00

Chinese Poems with English Translations

Poems 1 : Rebellion

Poems 2 : Personal Notes

Poems 3 : Self-Exile

Poems 4 : Resurgence

Poems 5 : Other Thoughts

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145343>

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Shrines & Streelights / Ho Ren Chun

Singapore : Ethos Books, 2012

156p.; 20cm.

9789810733896

\$ 14.00 / PB

Poetry

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=145344>

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The Earnest Mask / Xi Ni Er

Singapore : Epigram Books, 2012

200p.; 23cm.

9789810736590

\$ 16.00 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144858>

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Flowers at Dawn / Singai Ma Elangkannan

Singapore : Epigram Books, 2012

200p.; 23cm.

9789810735364

\$ 16.00 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144859>

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Teaching Cats to Jump Hoops / You Jin

Singapore : Epigram Books, 2012

200p.; 23cm.

9789810736576

\$ 16.00 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144861>

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Under the Bed, Confusion / Wong Meng Voon  
Singapore : Epigram Books, 2012  
200p.; 23cm.  
9789810736613  
\$ 16.00 / PB  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=144862>

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## **Politics**

Autonomy and Armed Separatism in South And Southeast Asia / Michelle Ann Miller (Editor)  
Singapore: ISEAS, 2012  
xiii. 329p. ; 23cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789814379977

1. Southeast Asia – History – Autonomy and independence movements
2. South Asia – History – Autonomy and independence movements
3. Insurgency – Southeast Asia
4. Insurgency – South Asia
5. Southeast Asia – Politics and government
6. South Asia – Politics and government

\$ 38.90 / PB  
460 gm.

Armed separatist insurgencies have created a real dilemma for many national governments of how much freedom to grant aggrieved minorities without releasing territorial sovereignty over the nation state. This book examines different approaches that have been taken by seven states in South and Southeast Asia to try and resolve this dilemma through various offers of autonomy. Providing new insights into the conditions under which autonomy arrangements exacerbate or alleviate the problem of armed separatism, this comprehensive book includes in-depth analysis of the circumstances that lead men and women to take up arms in an effort to remove themselves from the states borders by creating their own independent polity.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=142323>

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