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Abstract: *Civil–Military Relations in Southeast Asia* reviews the historical origins, contemporary patterns, and emerging changes in civil–military relations in Southeast Asia from colonial times until today. It examines what types of military organizations emerged in the late colonial period and the impact of colonial legacies and the Japanese occupation in World War II on the formation of national armies and their role in processes of achieving independence. It analyzes the long-term trajectories and recent changes of professional, revolutionary, praetorian, and neopatrimonial civil–military relations in the region. Finally, it discusses military roles in state- and nation-building; political domination, revolutions and regime transitions, and military entrepreneurship.

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