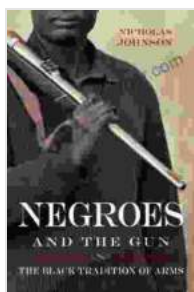


# Negroes And The Gun: A Historical Survey of the Second Amendment

In the wake of the recent mass shootings in the United States, there has been a renewed debate about the Second Amendment and its relationship to gun violence. While much of this debate has focused on the rights of white Americans, the history of gun control in the United States is deeply intertwined with the history of race.



## Negroes and the Gun: The Black Tradition of Arms

by Nicholas Johnson

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In his groundbreaking book, *Negroes And The Gun*, historian Nicholas Johnson examines the complex and often overlooked history of the Second Amendment and its relationship to African Americans. Johnson argues that the Second Amendment was not originally intended to protect the rights of African Americans, but rather to ensure that white Americans could maintain their dominance over them.

Johnson traces the history of gun control in the United States from the colonial era to the present day. He shows how white Americans have used gun control laws to disarm African Americans and prevent them from exercising their full rights as citizens.

For example, in the antebellum South, white slave owners passed laws that prohibited African Americans from owning guns. These laws were designed to prevent African Americans from revolting against their enslavement. After the Civil War, white Southerners continued to use gun control laws to suppress African Americans. These laws were often used to prevent African Americans from voting, holding office, and participating in other forms of civic life.

In the 20th century, gun control laws continued to be used to target African Americans. For example, in the 1960s, the Black Panther Party was founded to protect African Americans from police brutality. In response, the government passed a series of gun control laws that were specifically designed to disarm the Black Panthers.

Today, gun control laws continue to have a disproportionate impact on African Americans. For example, African Americans are more likely to be arrested for gun possession than white Americans, even though they are no more likely to commit gun crimes. This is because gun control laws are often enforced in a discriminatory manner.

Johnson's book is a powerful indictment of the racist history of gun control in the United States. He argues that the Second Amendment was not intended to protect the rights of African Americans, but rather to ensure that white Americans could maintain their dominance over them. Johnson's

book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the complex relationship between race and gun control in the United States.

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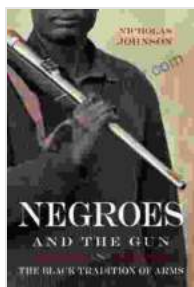
-Ibram X. Kendi, author of *Stamped from the Beginning*

"*Negroes And The Gun* is a powerful and important book. Johnson's work is a valuable contribution to the study of race and gun control in the United States. This book is essential reading for anyone who wants to understand the history of gun violence in this country."

-Michelle Alexander, author of *The New Jim Crow*

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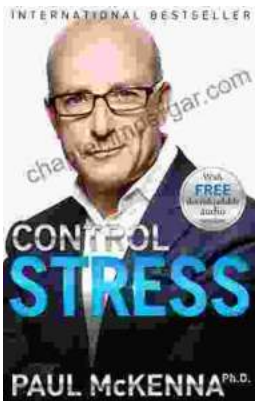
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