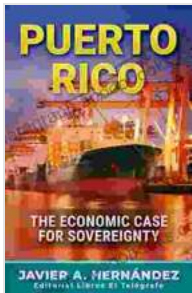


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The book's authors, José A. Frontera and Juan Lara, are both economists who have spent their careers studying Puerto Rico's economy. They argue that Puerto Rico's colonial status has had a devastating impact on the island's economy. The U.S. government has imposed a series of economic policies on Puerto Rico that have prevented the island from developing its own industries and creating jobs. As a result, Puerto Rico has become increasingly dependent on U.S. aid, which has led to a cycle of poverty and dependency.

Frontera and Lara argue that sovereignty is the only way for Puerto Rico to break free from this cycle of poverty. They propose a detailed plan for Puerto Rico to achieve sovereignty, which includes:

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- Developing a comprehensive economic development plan that would focus on creating jobs and reducing poverty.
- Investing in education and infrastructure to create a skilled workforce and a strong economy.
- Promoting trade and investment with other countries to diversify the economy and create jobs.

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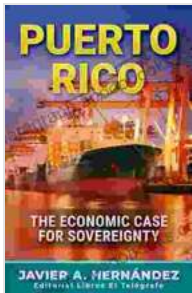
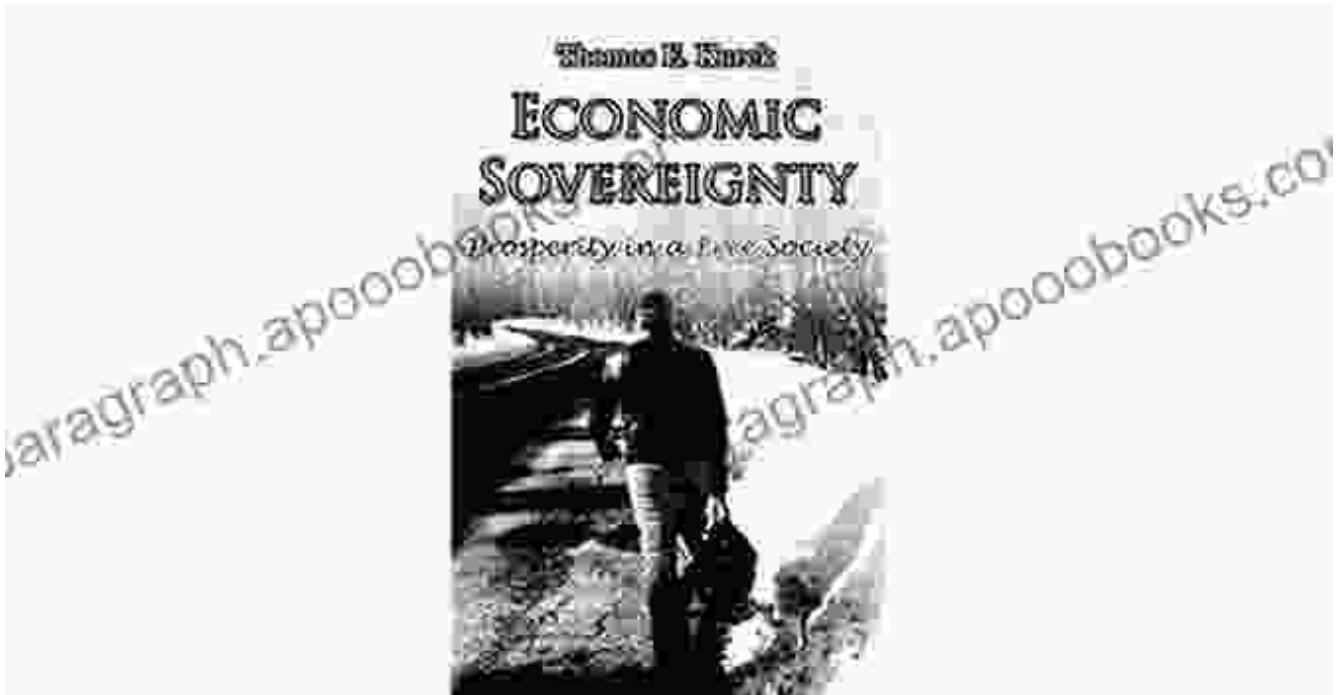
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