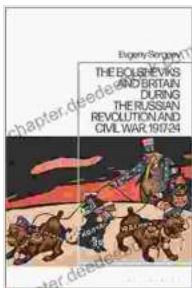


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## British Support for the Bolsheviks

The British government initially supported the Bolsheviks because they believed that they would be able to keep Russia in the war against Germany. The Bolsheviks had promised to continue the war, and they had

also promised to respect Britain's interests in Russia. As a result, the British government provided the Bolsheviks with financial and military aid.

However, the Bolsheviks soon began to renege on their promises. They withdrew from the war, and they also began to nationalize British-owned property in Russia. As a result, the British government began to lose confidence in the Bolsheviks. By the end of 1918, Britain had come to see the Bolsheviks as a threat to its interests in Russia.

### **British Intervention in the Russian Civil War**

In 1918, the British government decided to intervene in the Russian Civil War on the side of the anti-Bolshevik forces. The British government believed that the Bolsheviks were a threat to its interests in Russia, and it also believed that the anti-Bolshevik forces could defeat the Bolsheviks and restore a pro-British government in Russia.

The British intervention in the Russian Civil War was a failure. The British forces were unable to defeat the Bolsheviks, and they were eventually forced to withdraw from Russia. The British intervention did, however, have a significant impact on the course of the war. It helped to prolong the war and it also led to the deaths of thousands of people.

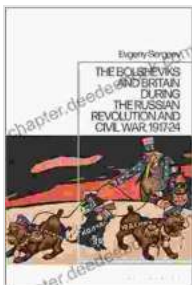
### **The Impact of the Russian Revolution on British Public Opinion**

The Russian Revolution had a profound impact on British public opinion. The revolution led to a great deal of debate about the future of Britain and its role in the world. Some people saw the revolution as a positive development, while others saw it as a threat to British values. The revolution also led to a great deal of sympathy for the Russian people, who were seen as victims of the Bolshevik regime.

## The Impact of the Russian Revolution on British Foreign Policy

The Russian Revolution also had a significant impact on British foreign policy. The revolution led to a re-evaluation of Britain's relationship with Russia. The British government came to see the Bolsheviks as a threat to its interests in Russia, and it also became more suspicious of other communist movements around the world. The Russian Revolution also led to the creation of the Soviet Union, which became a major rival to Britain in the Cold War.

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