

Dear Friends,

I'm writing to get the word out about a new and important book—*Confessions of an Economic Hit Man*, by John Perkins. The book gives an insider's look at how America turned from a respected republic into a feared empire, and it answers the question that is dominating the current political discussions—"why do they hate us?"

If knowledge is power, then this book takes you to a whole new level of empowerment. It is a bombshell between two covers, and it blasts open a whole new public awareness. *Confessions* may even turn out to be one of those rare events that actually shakes the system to its core.

Amy Goodman must have felt the same, because on December 31, 2004, she did something very unusual—she interviewed the author, John Perkins, for the entire hour of *Democracy Now!* Since then, John has appeared on CSPAN's Book-TV as well as NPR and Pacifica radio stations across the country. *Confessions* is now on 20 different bestseller lists—including *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, and many others—and it has been on some of those lists for as many as 12 weeks. To find out more about the book, check out the website at www.EconomicHitMan.com.

I decided to share my excitement about this with you because I feel this is not just a book—it is an event, with powerful cultural and political ramifications. The book turns our understanding of history upside down, and I implore you to read it as soon as you possibly can. The more people there are who are aware, the more easily change can be brought about. Please feel free to forward this message to anyone you feel would benefit from reading this important book.

Sincerely,