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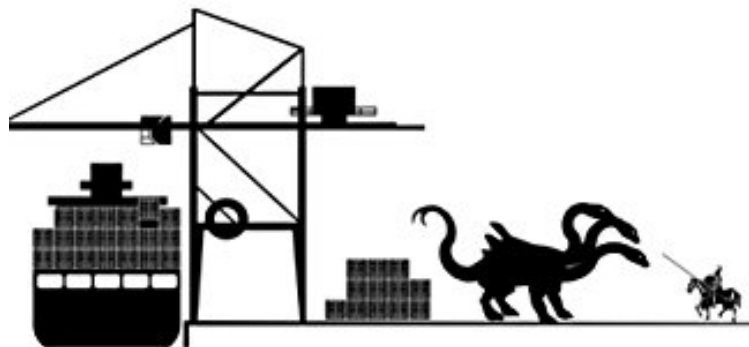
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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Different and compelling By Philosophi-Zing This is a thoughtful and novel book. While some of the reviewers here have clearly not read it (it isn't a defence of autarky...), this book is a

well reasoned, nuanced, largely accessible and innovative argument. It's use of law and political arguments to put context on the economic theory is different and interesting. The arguments in the book give you lots to think about. You don't have to agree with everything but it's a compelling exploration worth engaging with. 0 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Skeptical By Kelcy A. Hahn I was quite interested in this book until I read the puff review by Duncan Kennedy. "Mainstream economists unanimously argue that the logic of comparative advantage and national specialization makes a rigid adherence to free trade the best policy for everyone, all the time, everywhere." This is quite an exaggeration! Even the simple, freshman-level text I teach economics from makes a more nuanced argument for trade than Duncan's straw man. Krugman and Obstfeld in International Economic argue nothing like "best policy for everyone, all the time, everywhere." Kishore may have an argument worth a hearing, but I can't imagine Duncan Kennedy is in any position to review its relationship to what "mainstream economists" argue. 1 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Brought down the case? By Rational Bear Yes a convincing case for autarky. Just dumb conspiratorial pseudo science ranting.