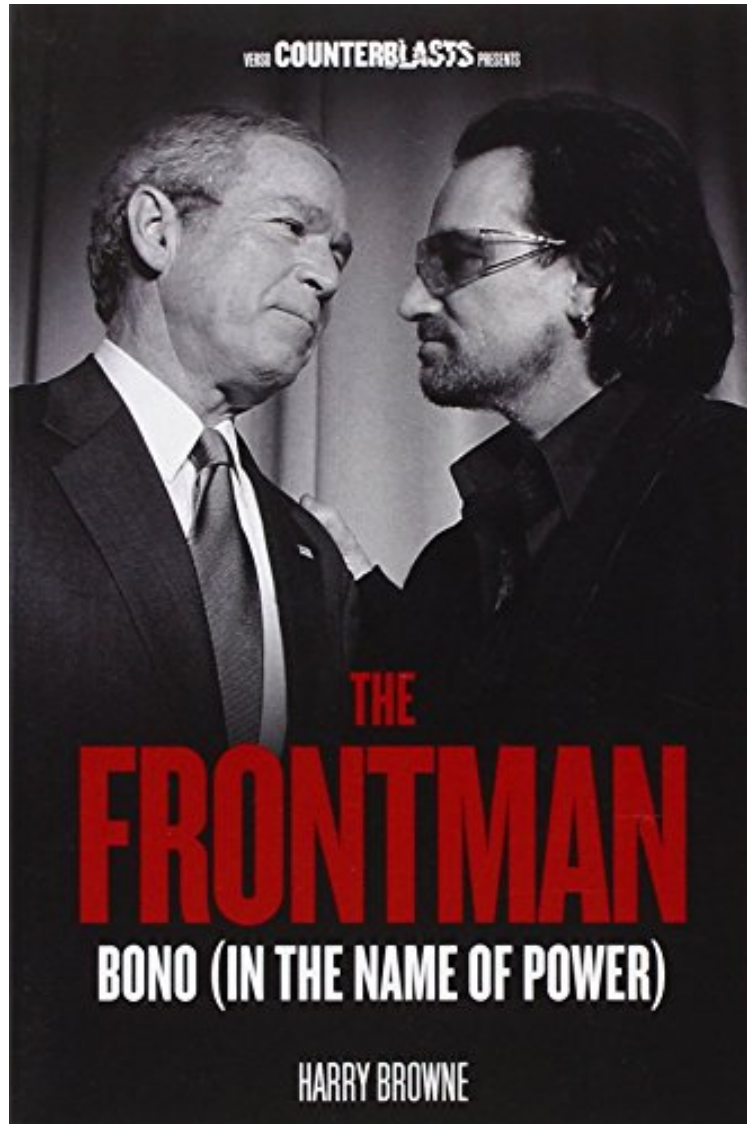


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Harry Browne : The Frontman: Bono (In the Name of Power) (Counterblasts) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Frontman: Bono (In the Name of Power) (Counterblasts):

8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Who Bono really servesBy Argus Human RightsAnother great book in what's turning out to be a great series. The truth isn't always popular but I applaud Harry Browne and Counterblasts for putting this out there. Bono's reputation as an advocate for the poor is undeserved to say the least and this book

lays out why and reveals how Bono is actually advocate for the elite global power establishment. I suspect those who have given this book poor reviews are not people who have studied the problems of global poverty and don't understand that Bono's friends and allies are the very ones who maintain and profit off of poverty. Another great book in this series is Jeffrey Sachs: The Strange Case of Dr. Shock and Mr. Aid. 5 of 6 people found the following review helpful. This is a good book, but it's going to depend on what ...By Customer This is a good book, but it's going to depend on what you think is going on in the world as to whether or not you are going to like it. If you think that everything's ok, that the worlds rich know what's going on, and are doing their best for us all, and you like some U2 - then you will hate this book. If however, regardless of what you may have once thought about Bono, you think that there might be some structural problems in our world thanks to the people at the top - then you will love this book, have a great laugh at Bono, but also be disappointed and confused as to how your teenage idle ended up on another planet. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Wow By anthony This completely confirms for me what a corporate tool an blowhard. bono is. A must read for sure u2 fan or not.

Celebrity philanthropy comes in many guises, but no single figure better encapsulates its delusions, pretensions and wrongheadedness than U2s iconic frontman, Bono. A fact neither sunglasses nor leather pants can hide. More than a mere philanthropist indeed, he lags behind many of his peers when it comes to parting with his own money. Bono is better described as an advocate, one who has become an unwitting symbol of a complacent wealthy Western elite. The Frontman reveals how Bono moved his investments to Amsterdam to evade Irish taxes; his paternalistic and often bullying advocacy of neoliberal solutions in Africa; his multinational business interests; and his hobnobbing with Paul Wolfowitz and shock-doctrine economist Jeffrey Sachs. Carefully dissecting the rhetoric and actions of Bono the political operator, The Frontman shows him to be an ambassador for imperial exploitation, a man who has turned his attention to a world of savage injustice, inequality and exploitation and helped make it worse.

[A] brilliant and blistering book George Monbiot, Guardian [An] impressively well-researched polemic... Browne's case is simple but devastating. Terry Eagleton, Guardian Sharp, funny and deadly accurate Doug Henwood You do need to [read The Frontman]. Not because you want to better understand Bono, let alone empathize with his plight, but because what topples is not only Bonos stature but the excuses his chosen trade, liberal philanthropic paternalism, makes for itself. Dave Marsh, Counterpunch [A] punchy new tome... Browne's opening paragraph reads: 'For nearly three decades as a public figure, and especially in this century, Bono has been, more often than not, advocating ineffective solutions, patronising the poor, and kissing the a*** of the rich and powerful.' That about covers it! Ephraim Hardcastle, Daily Mail As good a critique of Ireland Inc as most of the after-the-fact books on political and financial corruption that are cramming the shelves of the nations bookshops. Rabble At last! A bracing take-no-prisoners polemic that acknowledges Bonos practical contributions to a more humane version of global capitalism, but demonstrates how good intentions can be no alibi for fronting for the status quo. Alex de Waal, author of Famine Crimes: Politics and the Disaster Relief Industry in Africa and Executive Director of the World Peace Foundation at the Fletcher School The U2 singers record on Africa, poverty and politics all take a beating ... The charges are stinging Sunday Times Ireland I've been waiting years for this book. Its the stuff you instinctively knew about Bono his increasingly desperate flirtations with power, his fundamentally conservative and religious motivation, his adherence to neo-liberal and essentially Republican capitalist economic strategies, his old-style crusaders vision of Africa as another culture to be colonised, blimey even his slimy and unapologetic tax-dodging all that stuff wrapped up in a grounded, inquisitive, even-handed bookful of research. Boff Walley, International Times Harry Browne's book is not only a damning indictment of Bonos work in tackling global poverty and injustice, it is an informative and instructive read that shows us the heart of darkness that lies behind the message he advocates. Ceasefire About the Author Harry Browne is a Dublin-based activist and journalist who has written for the Irish Times, Sunday Times, Irish Daily Mail, Evening Herald and Sunday Tribune. He is the author of Hammered by the Irish: How the Pitstop Ploughshares Disabled a US War Plane With Irelands Blessing.