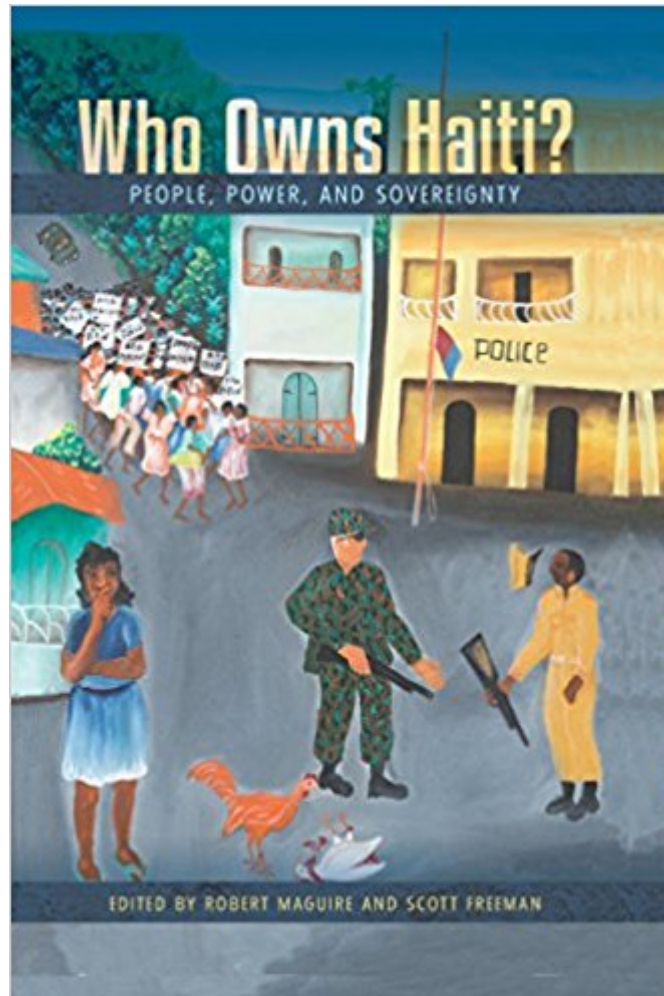




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# Who Owns Haiti?: People, Power, And Sovereignty



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