FURTHER READING

Historiographical surveys on American foreign policy:


Bibliographies on American foreign policy:


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