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Sarotte also won a Humboldt Scholarship and a postdoctoral fellowship at Harvard, and has worked for Die Zeit in Hamburg and the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) in London. Her publications include Dealing with the Devil: East Germany, Detente, and Ostpolitik, 1969-1973 (University of North Carolina Press, 2001) and German Military Reform and European Security (Oxford University Press, 2001), as well as popular and scholarly articles. She is currently working on her third monograph, on international relations at the end of the Cold War. Sarotte, who appears as a political commentator on CNN International and Sky, is a Senior Visiting Scholar at the Mershon Center of International Relations until the spring of 2006.