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Sometimes the hardest task a writer has is to make a compelling argument for a rather controversial topic. In Worden's essay, she accomplishes exactly that. The argument she makes, that a strong imperialistic hegemony is a stable and just style of international governance, is not one that at first glance sits easily with most. Through her argument, though, Worden gives a convincing account of how this could be the case through two notable historical examples of a "moral hegemony" creating a safe and stable environment. Worden, in this essay, makes good use of scholarly work and analysis thereof to make a hard-to-swallow premise palatable, and that is what makes this paper an example of strong writing.

-Patrick Kolehouse, Writing Center Consultant