



Is Change Required? an Economic Case Study of the Rise and Fall of Empires, and Why a National Strategic Narrative Could Change the Fate of the United States Empire

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