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Just finished the theroux book. Seems he has a real beef with the international aid community. It is big business and self-promoting philanthropists abound everywhere in the third world. The bigger the budget the less they accomplish. Bottom line, during colonial times there were roads and basic infrastructure, schools and hospitals. The indigenous peoples think differently and have a different agenda that will not adapt, the only hope is assimilation, lets get real. The resources are there. Tribal feuds extend deep into time, look at Bosnia. We invade only when the prospect of financial gain excists, look at Iraq.