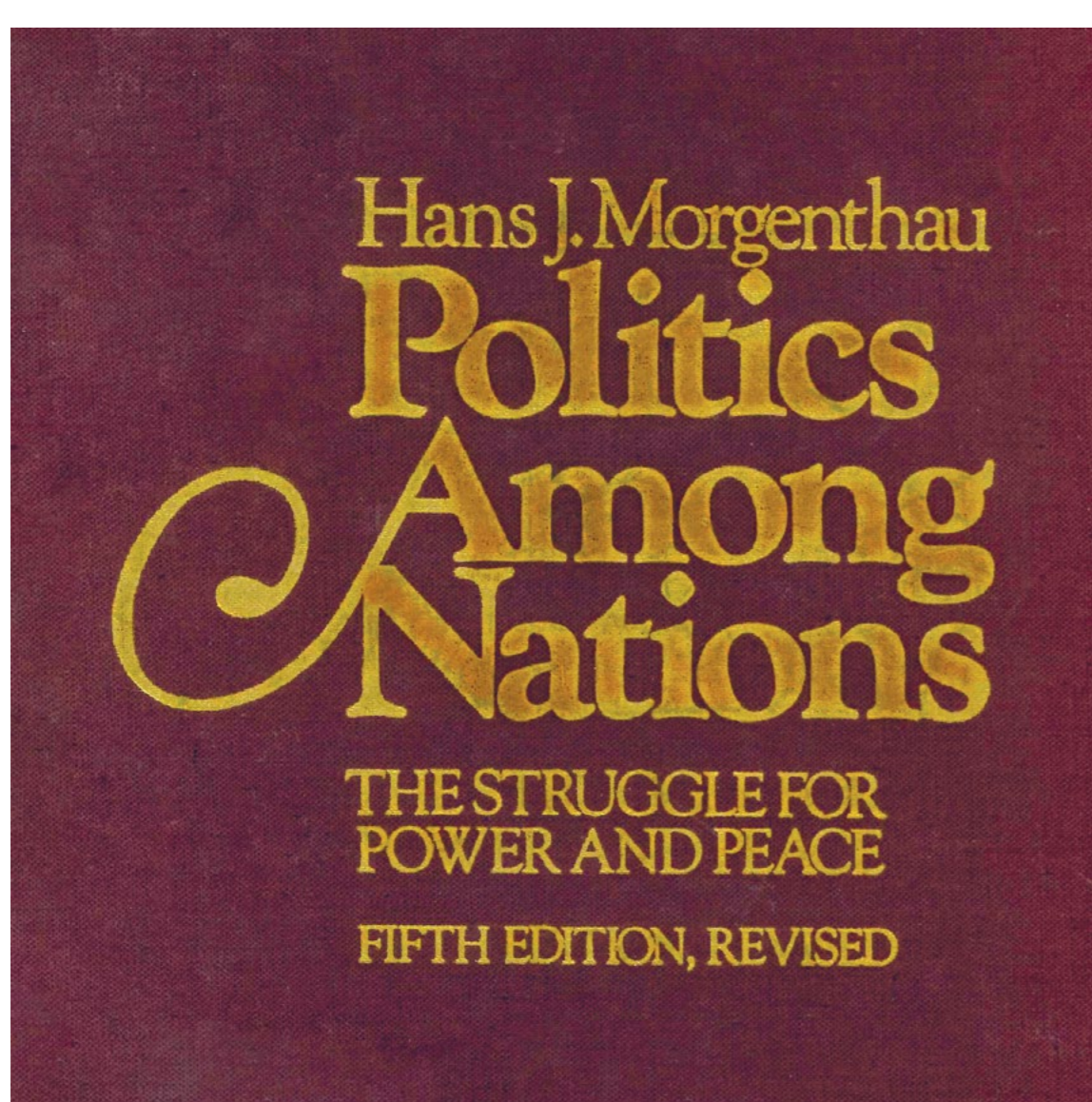




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Hans Joachim Morgenthau was a pioneering figure in International Relations. Jurist, philosopher, writer, and professor at the University of Chicago, his realist theories significantly shaped American foreign policy during the Cold War. Morgenthau's most famous book, *Politics Among Nations: The Struggle for Power and Peace* remains a cornerstone in the field and is still taught globally. His ideas on power politics and the nature of international conflicts continue to influence scholars and policy-makers, solidifying his legacy as a foundational thinker in the study of global political dynamics.



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Morgenthau's ideas resonated with his times. He served as a consultant for US President John F. Kennedy's administration from 1961 to 1963. However, his tenure ended when he expressed opposition to the Vietnam War during President Johnson's administration.



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Born in Coburg, Germany, in 1904, he left for postdoctoral work in Geneva and then moved to Spain and, finally, to the US, where he made significant contributions to the study of International Relations.

