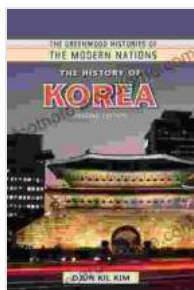


The History of Korea, 2nd Edition: Illuminating the Land of the Morning Calm

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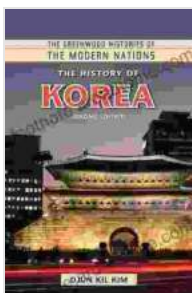
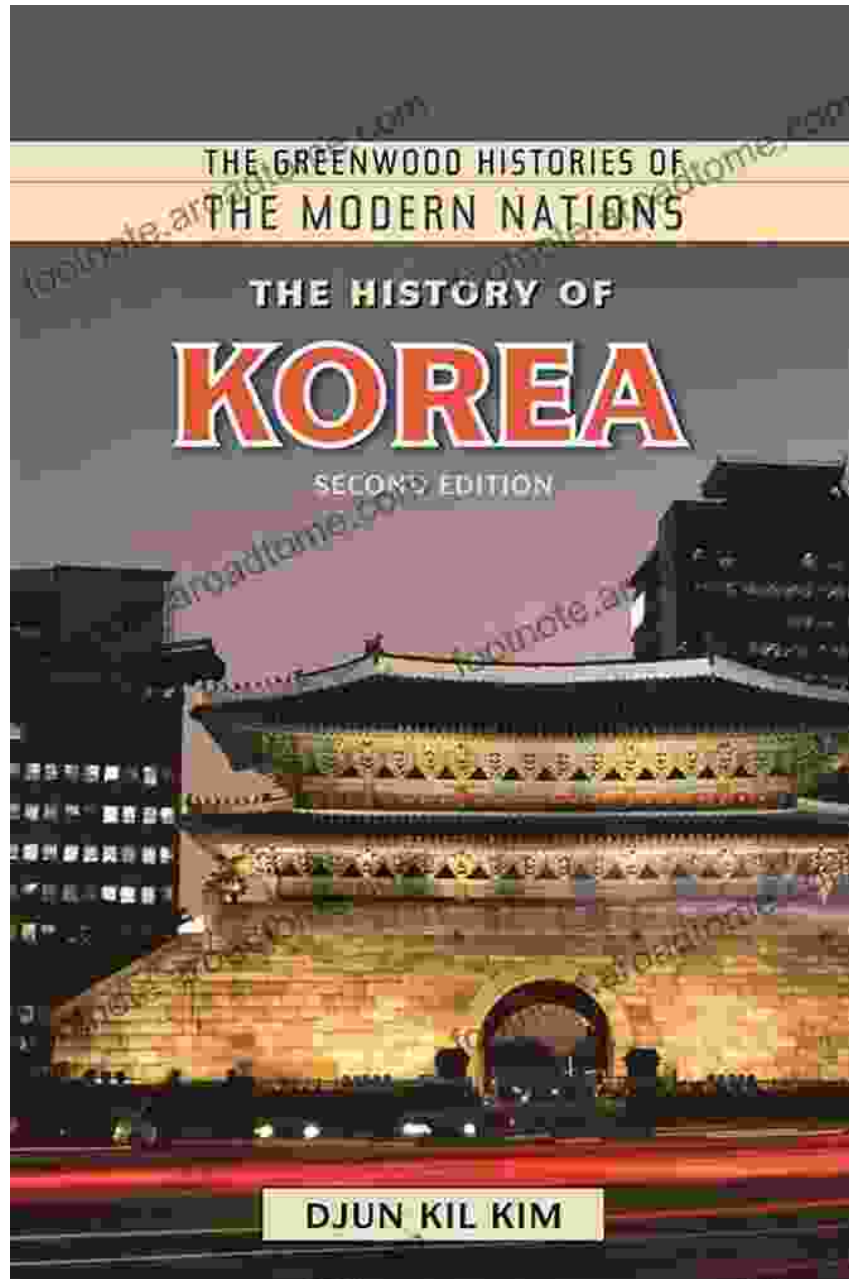
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