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Brian Haig, a writer whose Sean Drummond series I really enjoy, has penned a stand alone thriller about corporate greed, corrupt officials and a very clever protagonist The plot should have made it unputdownable, but unfortunately, the current real and sad state of our government and Wall Street greed made this book an uncomfortable reminder of how bad things have become in our country It was a page turner, but I think I need less reality and fiction in my life. Hook, line, and sinker reeled in with a bang From the battlefield of the Middle East to the trenches of Wall Street, The Capitol Game had me at page one and didn't let go A masterfully intelligent plot defense spending and the purse string pythons of Wall Street and the Capitol Hill piranhas, with greed as the billion dollar explosive bait Haig's characters are well developed and authentically believable So much so, their cutthroat business acquisitions and Good Old Boy politicking could have placed them in recent hall of shame headlines, barking of criminal finance and treason And not until the final few pages is it made resolutely clear, who exactly the protagonist is, and who has clean hands if any Another perk is Haig's refrain from using excessive profanity and graphic vulgarity That says much about his personal character, treating his readers with respect for their ability to engage with the story through broad vocabulary expressive intelligence, as opposed to gimmicky shock and awe However, on the downside, there is a modicum of stereotypical male egotism regarding female worthiness and eye candy, which reflects in my rating Otherwise, it's a five star read. Masterfully woven story Very well done Keep a post it

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handy to keep track of the many characters, but well worth the read. REVIEW OF AUDIOBOOK 24 DECEMBER 2015 Narrator Scott Brick Kept me intrigued to the very end I liked the plot very much even though there was no one to root for until the very last chapters Wiley seemed to wily for his own good yes, groan and the only character I could sympathize with was Arvan Since he got paid rather well, I didn't feel sorry for him for long No truly good guys in this book Only greedy corporate bigwigs and politicians Or so, I thought. I liked Jack Wiley but he was one of the money hungry Wall Street guys, not a hero I needed someone to root for but the author gave me zilch Despite this, Haig kept me tightly gripped in his tale of corporate intrigue and I got my hero in the end Not one, but two I loved the ending What kept this from being 5 stars It took too long It should have had 2 hours trimmed and better editing as Haig belabored the same point in a conversation until I was silently yelling, Okay I got it I got it If I had been reading the ebook, I would have skimmed these as the author had his characters repeat the same things over and over, not just in one place but in other chapters. Still worth reading, IMO, despite the above complaint. I've come to enjoy Scott Brick's narration but, in this book, I could have done with differentiation between the characters' voices Everyone sounded alike, regardless of gender. A small company has made the discovery of the decade, a kind of polymer to paint on army vehicles that repels explosives giving the vehicles armour equivalent to 30 inches of steel Jack Wiley, a successful Wall street wheeler and dealer, proposes to a large company skilled at takeovers the acquisition of this small company The company is in financial trouble The potential earnings from the polymer through the Defense Department are astronomical The very idea, while at first seems too good to be true, soon captures to imagination and exaggerates the greed of the leaders in this large company, The Capital Group The scenarios that ensue from chapter to chapter paint a picture of corporate and government corruption that boggles the mind Who is to be believed Is Jack another greedy corporate wolf Is the Capital Group totally without a conscience And when a young lawyer comes on the scene to investigate government corruption we wonder why motivates her. The story moves well and comes to a startling conclusion that leaves Washington

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wounded and wondering. This one starts out with the death of a GI in Iraq from an IED that takes out the Humvee he was riding in. He was just weeks from ending his tour and returning to his wife and twin daughters. Jump now to Washington DC where Jack Wiley, a hot shot equity trader, is being vetted by a big firm called the Capitol Group. They are at the top of the heap when it comes to buying companies in trouble and turning them around or decimating them for a profit. Their management is made up of many ex-military and politicians with a nose for and big appetite for money. Jack comes to them with a proposition; he knows of a small chemical company that has fallen on hard times and is ripe for a buyout, and it seems they have discovered a unique material that when painted on vehicles makes them invulnerable to bullets, missiles, and bombs. The Group sees lots of dollar signs and works to gobble up the company and make a killing with the paint. What happens next is a battle of wits, extreme skullduggery, illegal acts, and so on. But that is what makes this a good read, so I won't divulge any of the story, but let you find out for yourself what transpires.

New York Times Bestselling Author Brian Haig Returns With A Riveting New Thriller About A Man Caught Between The Politics Of Big Government And The Corruption Of Big Business. It Was The Deal Of The Decade, If Not The Century. A Small, Insignificant Company On The Edge Of Bankruptcy Had Discovered An Alchemist's Dream: A Miraculous Polymer, That When Coated On Any Vehicle, Was The Equivalent Of Inches Of Steel. With Bloody Conflicts Surging In Iraq And Afghanistan, The Polymer Promises To Save Thousands Of Lives And Change The Course Of Both Wars. Jack Wiley, A Successful Wall Street Banker, Believes He Has Found A Dream Come True When He Mysteriously Learns Of This Miraculous Polymer. His Plan: Enlist The Help Of The Capitol Group, One Of The Country's Largest And Most Powerful Corporations In A Quick, Bloodless Takeover Of The Small Company That Developed The Polymer. It Seems Like A Partnership Made In Heaven until The Pentagon's Investigative Service Begins Nosing Around, And The Deal Turns Into A Nightmare. Now, Jack's Back Is Up Against The Wall And He And The Capitol Group Find Themselves Embroiled In The Greatest Scandal The Government And Corporate America Have Ever Seen. Using the word disappointing is an

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understatement I've been a fan of Brian Haig's for years and have recommended his books to many people. His early books, with the Sean Drummond character, were intelligent, nuanced and shed light on otherwise somewhat neglected topics: Bosnia, South Korea. The last two I've read, *The Hunted* and *The Capitol Game*, are clichéd and formulaic. The good guys are all good and tall, and beautiful. The bad guys are chubby, and spiteful, and stupid. The plot of *The Capitol Game* was interesting, but the writing got in the way of the plot. Every paragraph, and in many cases every sentence, included a cliché or hackneyed phrase. This author could certainly benefit from a strong editor. What a shame. I got this book not expecting anything special, not familiar with the author. I was very pleasantly surprised; this is by far one of the best books I've read in a very long time. If I would try to describe it, I guess the best comparison would be *The Firm*, but it's so much better. Highly recommended to anyone who likes a good suspense intrigue. This one kept me reading throughout, not wanting to stop. Greed, graft, politics and lots of money combine to create some very unholy alliances and some very dislikable characters. Hair brings it all together in the end and somehow believing that things are in a type of balance. A compelling read, I totally enjoyed.

