

Isis Inside The Army Of Terror

In this vivid first-person narrative, a Special Operations Joint Terminal Attack Controller (JTAC) and his commanding general give fascinating and detailed accounts of America's fight against one of the most barbaric insurgencies the world has ever seen. In the summer of 2014, three years after America's full troop withdrawal from the Iraq War, President Barack Obama authorized a small task force to push back into Baghdad. Their mission: Protect the Iraqi capital and U.S. embassy from a rapidly emerging terrorist threat. A plague of brutality, that would come to be known as ISIS, had created a foothold in northwest Iraq and northeast Syria. It had declared itself a Caliphate—an independent nation-state administered by an extreme and cruel form of Islamic law—and was spreading like a newly evolved virus. Soon, a massive and devastating U.S. military response had unfolded. Hear the ground truth on the senior military and political interactions that shaped America's war against ISIS, a war unprecedented in both its methodology and its application of modern military technology. Enter the world of the Strike Cell, secretive operations centers where America's greatest enemies are hunted and killed day and night. Plunge into the realm of the Special Operations JTAC, American warfighters with the highest enemy kill counts on the battlefield. And gain the wisdom of a cumulative half-century of military experience as Dana Pittard and Wes Bryant lay out the path to a sustained victory over ISIS. For more information about the book, visit www.huntingthecaliphate.com.

Revolutionair boek over de rol van God in moderne religie. Veel mensen geloven tegenwoordig in `iets maar is dat echt wat anders dan geloven in God? Dit boek is een pleidooi voor godsdienstvrijheid op rationele gronden. Veel mensen geloven tegenwoordig in `iets, maar noemen zichzelf niet religieus. Het een sluit het ander gelukkig niet uit, legt Dworkin uit in 'Religie zonder God'. Geloven in God betekent het erkennen van waarden die vaak ook onder atheïsten bestaan. Op dat punt verschillen gelovigen en ongelovigen dus niet zo veel van elkaar. Alleen al daarom zouden ze elkaar de ruimte moeten geven op hun eigen manier te geloven, zegt Dworkin. "Het standpunt dat Dworkin in Religie zonder God inneemt reflecteert de toewijding aan het vinden van objectieve waarden die zo kenmerkend is voor Dworkins werk" Jeremy Waldron, The Guardian -Ronald Dworkin was emeritus hoogleraar rechtsgeleerdheid en filosofie aan de Universiteit van New York. Hij gaf les aan Yale en de Universiteit van Oxford. In 2007 ontving hij de Ludvig Holberg International Memorial Prize voor zijn onderzoek. Hij overleed in februari 2013. 'Religie zonder God' werd postuum uitgebracht. Dworkin is een van de grootste rechtsfilosofen en denkers over de democratische rechtsstaat uit de recente geschiedenis.

'Ik zal de laatste zijn' is het schokkende maar tegelijk inspirerende verhaal van mensenrechtenactiviste Nadia Murad over haar vlucht uit de handen van Islamitische Staat. Voor het eerst vertelt Nadia Murad in detail over haar levensgevaarlijke vlucht naar de vrijheid. Ondanks de verschrikkingen die ze heeft ondergaan, is ze strijdbaar. Met hulp van Yazda, een non-profit organisatie die Yezidi slachtoffers helpt, wil ze de Islamitische Staat aansprakelijk stellen voor genocide en misdaden tegen de mensheid. Ze wordt daarin vertegenwoordigd door niemand minder dan de beroemde advocaat Amal Clooney. 'Ik zal de laatste zijn' is een verhaal van ongekennde moed en veerkracht.

One of the most remarkable mechanized campaigns of recent years pitted the brutal and heavily armed jihadis of Islamic State against an improvised force belonging to the Kurdish YPG (later the SDF). While some Kurdish vehicles were originally from Syrian Army stocks or captured from ISIS, many others were extraordinary homemade AFVs based on truck or digger mechanicals, or duskas, the Kurds' version of the technical. Before US air power was sent to Syria, these were the Kurds' most powerful and mobile weapons. Co-written by a British

volunteer who fought with the Kurds and an academic expert on armoured warfare, this study explains how the Kurds built and used their AFVs in the war against 'Daesh', and identifies as far as possible which vehicles took part in major battles, such as Kobane, Manbij and Raqqa. With detailed new artwork depicting the Kurds' range of armour and many previously unpublished photos, this is an original and fascinating look at modern improvised mechanized warfare.

Schot in het duister van Azad Cudi is het ongelooflijke verhaal van een Koerdische sluipschutter in de strijd tegen ISIS. Toen in Syrië in 2011 de burgeroorlog begon, besloten Koerdische vrijwilligers voor de vrijheid van hun thuisland te vechten en er een heiligdom van tolerantie en democratie te creëren. ISIS gaf zich niet zomaar gewonnen en verzamelde 10.000 mannen, munitie, tanks en zelfmoordterroristen om de opstand neer te slaan. Maar de Koerden vechten terug. Azad is een van hen en verdedigt met 17 andere sluipschutters de noordelijke stad Kobani negen bloedige maanden lang tegen de belegering van ISIS. Schot in het duister vertelt het persoonlijke verhaal van Azad over een groep activisten en intellectuelen die hun eigen leger van sluipschutters samenstelde en negen maanden een felle strijd heeft gevoerd van bittere en bloedige straatgevechten. Dit is een uniek verslag van een moderne oorlog en hoe, tegen alle verwachtingen in, een paar duizend mannen en vrouwen het onmogelijke hebben bereikt en hun droom van vrijheid in leven hebben gehouden. 'Indrukwekkende journalistiek.' Financial Times

****WINNER of the PULITZER PRIZE for NON-FICTION 2016**** In a thrilling dramatic narrative, Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter Joby Warrick traces how the strain of militant Islam behind ISIS first arose in a remote Jordanian prison and spread to become the world's greatest threat. When the government of Jordan granted amnesty to a group of political prisoners in 1999, it little realized that among them was Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, a terrorist mastermind and soon the architect of an Islamist movement bent on dominating the Middle East. In *Black Flags*, an unprecedented character-driven account of the rise of ISIS, Joby Warrick shows how the zeal of this one man and the strategic mistakes of Western governments led to the banner of ISIS being raised over huge swathes of Syria and Iraq. Zarqawi began by directing terror attacks from a base in northern Iraq, but it was the allied invasion in 2003 that catapulted him to the head of a vast insurgency. By falsely identifying him as the link between Saddam Hussein and Osama bin Laden, Western officials inadvertently spurred like-minded radicals to rally to his cause. Their wave of brutal beheadings and suicide bombings persisted until American and Jordanian intelligence discovered clues that led to a lethal airstrike on Zarqawi's hideout in 2006. His movement, however, endured. First calling themselves al-Qaeda in Iraq, then Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, or ISIS, his followers sought refuge in unstable, ungoverned pockets on the Iraq-Syria border. When the Syrian civil war broke out in 2011, and the rest of the world largely stood by, ISIS seized its chance to pursue Zarqawi's dream of an ultra-conservative Islamic caliphate. Drawing on unique high-level access to global intelligence sources, Warrick weaves gripping, moment-by-moment operational details with the perspectives of diplomats and spies, generals and heads of state, many of whom foresaw a menace worse than al-Qaeda and tried desperately to stop it. *Black Flags* is a brilliant and definitive history that reveals the long arc of today's most dangerous extremist threat.

This book explores the challenges of creating a secure and stable Iraq in the wake of the military campaign against the Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS). Analyzing the impact of the fight against ISIS, the collection provides answers to questions relating to both political and humanitarian considerations in Iraqi post-war recovery. In their analysis, the editors and authors develop policy recommendations for the international and Iraqi political communities. It is essential reading for those interested in politics, international relations, post-war recovery, counter-terrorism, Middle Eastern studies and Iraqi studies scholars.

Rescued from ISIS is the inspiring and terrifying tale of one man's journey to the Middle East to save his child from radical Islam, and its surprising worldwide repercussions. Dimitri Bontinck lived every parent's worst nightmare. His teenage son, introduced to Islam by his girlfriend, fell into the clutches of a radical mosque. Dimitri watched helplessly as his son, Jay, transformed from a gentle boy to a soldier in training, wearing traditional robes and following a strict diet. Completely brainwashed, Jay snuck out of the house and traveled to Syria, all but vanishing. Too late, Dimitri learned that their country, Belgium, was the leading hotbed of Islamic radicalization. Large numbers of teenagers were being lured into this world and expertly indoctrinated into radical Islam. One by one, they disappeared into the Middle East, most never to be seen again. With no one to help him, Dimitri--a white, Christian-raised atheist--set off on his own to save his son. Using only his military training, a lot of courage, and a little luck, he gradually embedded himself deeper and deeper into the Middle East. After months of searching and several close calls—including being thrown in a jail cell and beaten—he was able to find his son and bring him home. The world was shocked at his unprecedented success, and he started receiving pleas from families around the world, asking that he rescue their children, as well. Increasingly fearful for his own life but unable to ignore these cries for help, Dimitri accepted his newfound role as The Jihadi Hunter. In 2009 rekruteren de CIA en de Jordaanse inlichtingendienst een belangrijke spion: een Jordanees die toegang heeft tot de top van Al-Qaida en onthullende informatie aan de CIA stuurt. Er wordt een geheime basis in Afghanistan opgetuigd en een ontmoeting gepland. Wanneer de mol arriveert, blaast hij zich volkomen onverwacht op. Zeven CIA-medewerkers komen bij die aanslag om het leven, een van de grootste klappen die de dienst ooit te verwerken kreeg. De dubbelspion bleek een driedubbelspion te zijn. Warrick verdiepte zich in teksten en videoboodschappen van de zelfmoordenaar, en sprak met diens familie en de families van de slachtoffers. Driedubbelspion geeft een unieke inkijk in de wereld van contraspionage, het droneprogramma en hoe beslissingen in Washington worden genomen.

Steven Gonzalez was a sergeant first class in the Army Reserve in March 2003 when his company received orders to invade Iraq. For the next twelve months, Gonzalez and his unit would mostly convoy escorts, set up checkpoints, and provide security around the perimeter of Tallil Air Base near Nasiriyah, Iraq. He returned to Texas in March 2004, resuming his job with the Haltom City Police Department, and in 2004, he retired after twenty-one years in the military. But he was not yet done with the terrorists. In 2007, he returned to Iraq to help train the Iraqi police as an employee with DynCorp International, and in 2013, he signed up to fight ISIS as an employee with Universal Protection Service. But he did not agree with President Barack Obama's pronouncement that ISIS was a JV team nor with his decision not to send troops to Syria. Fortunately, he found a way to join some of his fellow former soldiers fighting ISIS on its own turf. Join Gonzalez as he honors some of the great friends he's lost and shares the challenges he's faced in Fighting Saddam in Iraq and ISIS in Syria.

2014 has the potential to go down as a crucial year in modern world history. A resurgent and bellicose Russia took over Crimea and fueled a civil war in Eastern Ukraine. Post-Saddam Iraq, in many respects a creature of the United States because of the war that began in 2003, lost a third of its territory to an army of hyper-violent millennialists. The peace process in Israel seemed to completely collapse. Finally, after coalescing in Syria as a territorial entity, the Islamic State swept into northern Iraq and through northeastern Syria, attracting legions of recruits from Europe and the Middle East. In short, the post-Cold War security order that the US had constructed after 1991 seemed to be coming apart at the seams. David Kilcullen was one of the architects of America's strategy in the late phases of the second Gulf War, and also spent time in Afghanistan and other hotspots. In Blood Year, he provides a wide-angle view of the current situation in the Middle East and analyzes how America and the West ended up in such dire circumstances. Whereas in 2008 it appeared that the U.S. might pull a modest stalemate from the jaws of defeat in Iraq, six years later the situation had reversed. After America pulled out of Iraq completely in

2011, the Shi'ite president cut Sunnis out of the power structure and allowed Iranian influence to grow. And from the debris of Assad's Syria arose an extremist Sunni organization even more radical than Al Qaeda. Unlike Al Qaeda, ISIS was intent on establishing its own state, and within a remarkably short time they did. Interestingly, Kilcullen highlights how embittered former Iraqi Ba'athist military officers were key contributors to ISIS's military successes. Kilcullen lays much of the blame on Bush's initial decision to invade Iraq (which had negative secondary effects in Afghanistan), but also takes Obama to task for simply withdrawing and adopting a "leading from behind" strategy. As events have proven, Kilcullen contends, withdrawal was a fundamentally misguided plan. The U.S. had uncorked the genie, and it had a responsibility to at least attempt to keep it under control. Instead, the U.S. is at a point where administration officials state that the losses of Ramadi and Palmyra are manageable setbacks. Kilcullen argues that the U.S. needs to re-engage in the region, whether it wants to or not, because it is largely responsible for the situation that is now unfolding. Blood Year is an essential read for anyone interested in understanding not only why the region that the U.S. invaded a dozen years ago has collapsed into utter chaos, but also what it can do to alleviate the grim situation.

Winnaar van de Pulitzer Prize Ter ere van zijn kroning verleende koning Abdoellah van Jordanië in 1999 amnestie aan een grote groep gevangenen. Een van die gevangenen was Abu Musab al-Zarqawi. Hij werd de spil in het terrorisme in de regio en een drijvende kracht achter het gewelddadige islamistische gedachtegoed. In 2003 vielen de Amerikanen Irak binnen. Ze linkten Zarqawi onterecht aan Bin Laden, waardoor ze hem onbedoeld een boegbeeld maakten voor de radicalen. In 2006 werd Zarqawi gedood, maar zijn gedachtegoed leefde voort. Het begon als Al Qaida in Irak, maar splitste zich na een tijd af als IS. Toen de burgeroorlog in Syrië uitbrak, greep IS de mogelijkheid om Zarqawi's droom, een ultraconservatief kalifaat, na te jagen.

ISISA Comprehensive Guide On ISIS - Learn The Truth About ISIS, Who They Are And What Threat They Pose To Global Security As the number two global threat in the world, ISIS has been gaining a growing awareness among the global community. Here is an overview of the history of how ISIS was formed in terms of the political landscape that they were able to grow from. This book will also cover: How ISIS has managed to develop into their current position The Importance of not Feeding Fear How Has the Media Played into the ISIS agenda? Global Concerns How the International Community is awakening to the need for action And more
Hardcover edition has a map on the endpapers.

This illuminating work offers readers a comprehensive overview of ISIS, with more than 100 in-depth articles on a variety of topics related to the notorious terrorist group, and more than a dozen key primary source documents. • Provides an important resource for understanding the historic and geopolitical background of the rise of ISIS • Explains the reasoning behind the Islamic State's decisions and actions • Offers readers material for understanding the key decisions that led to contemporary dysfunction in the Middle East • Demonstrates how ISIS and affiliated extremist organizations use Islam as a primary recruiting and operational tool

In deze meesterlijk geschiedenis van het oude Egypte vertelt Toby Wilkinson het verhaal van een van de grootste beschavingen die ooit hebben bestaan. De geschiedenis van het oude Egypte en de uitzonderlijke beschaving die gedurende drieduizend jaar bloeide langs de oevers van de Nijl, lijkt een spektakelstuk vol bijzondere gebeurtenissen: de bouw van de piramides, de verovering van Nubia, de kracht en schoonheid van Nefertiti, de invasie van Alexander de Grote en Cleopatras fatale relatie met Rome die leidde tot de val van de Ptolomeeën. De oude Egyptenaren waren de eerste groep mensen die een gemeenschappelijke cultuur, opvatting en identiteit deelden in een begrensd geografisch territorium dat bovendien bestuurd werd door één enkele politieke instantie. Het oude Egypte was daarmee de eerste natiestaat

ter wereld die zich door zich te verenigen kon beschermen tegen vijandelijke krachten van buitenaf én van binnenuit. In dit magnifieke boek combineert Toby Wilkinson gedetailleerde kennis van het oude Egypte met een uiterst spannend verhaal dat leest als een epische roman. We lezen over de meedogenloze propaganda, de gewelddadige politiek, de wreedheid en de repressie die schuilgaat achter de verschijning van deze standvastige monarchie en de indrukwekkende architecturale en culturele successen waardoor zij zo beroemd is geworden. Admiraal William H. McRaven sprak in 2014 bij de diploma-uitreiking van de Universiteit van Texas. Hij vertelde hoe zijn opleiding tot Navy SEAL hem zijn hele leven lang heeft geholpen om succesvoller en gelukkiger te zijn. Zijn speech ging viral en werd meer dan tien miljoen keer bekeken. In *Maak je bed op* vertelt hij meer over de principes die hem niet alleen in zijn militaire carrière veel hebben opgeleverd, maar ook daarbuiten. Met leuke voorbeelden en wijze lessen toont hij dat discipline en doorzettingsvermogen voor iedereen binnen handbereik zijn. Hoe haal je meer uit jezelf, ga je uitdagingen aan en overwin je tegenslagen? Begin de dag met je bed opmaken.

Airpower in the War against ISIS chronicles the planning and conduct of Operation Inherent Resolve by U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) from August 2014 to mid-2018, with a principal focus on the contributions of U.S. Air Forces Central Command (AFCENT). Benjamin S. Lambeth contends that the war's costly and excessive duration resulted from CENTCOM's inaccurate assessment of the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS), determining it was simply a resurrected Iraqi insurgency rather than recognizing it as the emerging proto-state that it actually was. This erroneous decision, Lambeth argues, saw the application of an inappropriate counterinsurgency strategy and use of rules of engagement that imposed needless restrictions on the most effective use of the precision air assets at CENTCOM's disposal. The author, through expert analysis of recent history, forcefully argues that CENTCOM erred badly by not using its ample air assets at the outset not merely for supporting Iraq's initially noncombat-ready ground troops but also in an independent and uncompromising strategic interdiction campaign against ISIS's most vital center-of-gravity targets in Syria from the effort's first moments onward. ?

Het indringende en persoonlijke verhaal van een Afrikaanse vrouw die vastbesloten is te overleven en haar stam te verdedigen. Halima Bashir wordt geboren in een dorp in westelijk Soedan, als lid van de vrijgevochten Zaghawa-stam. Ze heeft een onbezorgde jeugd in een liefdevol gezin. Omdat ze goed kan leren, mag ze naar de universiteit. Na haar studie medicijnen keert ze terug naar haar dorp, als eerste arts van haar stam. Maar de idylle wordt wreed verstoord door de komst van Arabische Janjaweed-krijgers die het dorp aanvallen en vrouwen en kinderen verkrachten. Na hun vertrek vertelt Halima aan journalisten en VN-waarnemers wat ze heeft gezien. En daarmee begint haar eigen nachtmerrie. Ze wordt opgepakt, gefolterd en verkracht. Een van haar doodzonden, zo wordt haar verteld, is dat ze als arts niet alleen de krijgers heeft behandeld, maar ook de mensen van haar eigen stam. Er rest Halima niets anders dan te vluchten. Een moedig boek. Mia Farrow Halima Bashir woont in Engeland met haar man en zoontje. Ze verschijnt regelmatig in de media om internationaal aandacht te vragen voor Darfur en zich uit te spreken tegen genocide en foltering. Uit veiligheidsoverwegingen kunnen haar werkelijke naam en haar portret niet worden vrijgegeven.

The Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, also known as Islamic State of Iraq and Syria or Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham or Islamic State, is an Islamic extremist rebel group controlling territory in Iraq, Syria, and Libya, with operations or affiliates in Lebanon, Libya, the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt, and other areas of the Middle East, North Africa, West Africa, Southwest Asia, and Southeast Asia. The group gained notoriety after it drove the Iraqi government forces out of key western cities in Iraq. In Syria, it conducted ground attacks against both government forces and rebel factions in the Syrian Civil War. It gained those territories after an offensive, initiated in early 2014, which senior US military commanders and members of the US House Committee on Foreign Affairs saw as a re-emergence of Sunni insurgents and al-

Qaeda militants. This territorial loss implied a failure of US foreign policy, and almost caused a collapse of the Iraqi government that prompted renewal of US military action in Iraq.

Sinds IS plotseling op het politieke toneel verscheen, zijn politieke analisten en presidenten, generaals en gewone burgers in verwarring. In dit actuele en uitstekend gerechercheerde boek gaat internationaal terrorisme-expert Loretta Napoleoni in op de tegenstrijdigheden van is. Ze laat zien hoe de organisatie, die bekendstaat om zijn middeleeuwse wreedheden, die mensen martelt en onthoofdt, ontvoert en verkracht, heeft kunnen opbloeien in de digitale wereld van vandaag. Hoe heeft een relatief kleine strijdmacht zo snel grote delen van Irak en Syrië kunnen veroveren? Waarom beheerst is de kunst van de staatvorming beter dan welke gewapende groep ook? IS beheerst delen van de Iraakse oliewinning, beschikt over de modernste wapens en is rijk. Via de geschiedenis van is en het verschil in visie daarop tussen de moslimwereld en het Westen biedt Napoleoni niet alleen een heldere en samenhangende uitleg van de missie en de ideologie van de groep, maar ook nieuw inzicht in wat het Westen hiervan heeft begrepen en wat we volkomen mis hebben.

In this fully revised and updated edition of *ISIS: Inside the Army of Terror*, American journalist Michael Weiss and Syrian analyst Hassan Hassan explain how these violent extremists evolved from a nearly defeated Iraqi insurgent group into a jihadi army of international volunteers who, with slickly produced murder videos, are spreading violence and mayhem across the globe. Weiss and Hassan explain who the key players are, from their leader, Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, to the former Saddam Baathists in their ranks, where they come from, how they have attracted both local and global support, and how they operate from their social media strategy to their illicit oil revenues. Drawing on original interviews with former U.S. military officials and current ISIS fighters, the authors also reveal the internecine struggles within the movement itself, as well as ISIS's fanatical hatred of Shi'ite Muslims, which is generating another sectarian war in the region.

On the 29th of June 2014 ISIS declared the establishment of a caliphate stretching across territories in Iraq and Syria. In response, Operation Inherent Resolve, a US-led 77 nation coalition, was launched to respond to the threat of Islamic State. *The West's War Against Islamic State* offers the first history of Operation Inherent Resolve and the West's war against ISIS, from its inception in 2014 to the fall of Raqqa in 2017. Andrew Mumford offers a comprehensive analysis and assessment of the military campaign deployed against ISIS in Syria and Iraq by examining the West's strategic objectives as well as the conflicting interests of rival powers, namely Russia, Iran and Turkey. By examining individual operational components of this military engagement such as drone usage, cyber warfare, special forces operations and sponsorship of guerrilla forces, this book offers a unique insight into the nature of modern warfare.

ISIS Exposing the Truth about ISIS - Learn All About the Psychology of the Islamic State, the Origins and Ideology of ISIS The ISIS as an organization and military outfit has been rearing its ugly head time and time again. From carrying out barbaric attacks on the people of Iraq to causing terror attacks and destruction around the world as a whole, they have struck a serious amount of terror in the minds of all individuals. But where did these people come from all of sudden? What is their agenda? What is the motivating factor that makes so many young people with promising careers forget their own lives and join them? These are among hundreds of other questions that have been addressed through this book. Hope you enjoy reading this book and get a better knowledge about what can be done to counter the rise of terrorism in the first place. Here is a preview of what you'll learn: The origin of the ISIS What usually goes on inside the mind of a terrorist? The ideologies of the ISIS that makes it such an attractive option for the masses

Niet eerder in het recente verleden was de wereld getuige van zulke gruweligheden als die van de beweging die bekendstaat als IS - de Islamitische Staat. De combinatie van hun minachting voor menselijk leven, de slimme inzet van sociale media, en de kunst om buitenlandse

volgelingen te ronselen is ongekend. Wie zijn deze sadistische strijders? Hoe weten zij zovelen geestdriftig te maken voor een gruwelijke strijd? Wat is hun strategie en hoe kunnen we die frustreren? Jihad-kenners Jessica Stern en J.M. Berger analyseren in dit boek de middelen die de beweging inzet om enerzijds onschuldige burgers angst aan te jagen en tegelijkertijd nieuwe soldaten te werven. En ze zetten uiteen wat volgens hen de volgende stap zou moeten zijn om adequaat te reageren op het razendsnel veranderende jihadlandschap en het gewelddadige extremisme tegen te gaan.

In September 2014, Azad Cudi became one of seventeen snipers deployed when ISIS, trying to shatter the Kurds in a decisive battle, besieged the northern city of Kobani. In *LONG SHOT*, he tells the inside story of how a group of activists and idealists withstood a ferocious assault and, street by street, house by house, took back their land in a victory that was to prove the turning point in the war against ISIS. By turns devastating, inspiring and lyrical, this is a unique account of modern war and of the incalculable price of victory as a few thousand men and women achieved the impossible and kept their dream of freedom alive.

"ISIS The Comprehensive Insight Into Islamic State Of Iraq And Syria - The Origins Of ISIS, Who They Are, And How They Threaten Your Life! In this book, we will cover ISIS, how they came to be, who they really are, what exactly it is they are doing, what their threat is, and how they are recruiting members. While doing so, we will take the greatest of care not to make assumptions about entire groups of people nor assumptions on any religious grounds.

Het is bijna niet voor te stellen, maar soennitisch Saoedi-Arabië en sjiiitisch Iran waren lange tijd bondgenoten. En toen brak in 1979 de Iraanse revolutie uit, werd de Heilige Moskee in Mekka belegerd en trok de Sovjet-Unie Afghanistan binnen. Saoedi-Arabië en Iran werden felle tegenstanders en exploiteerden religie in hun rivaliserende strijd. Het gevolg: sektarisch geweld, het ontstaan van groeperingen als Hezbollah, de 9/11-aanslagen en de opkomst van is. Zwarte golf beschrijft deze vlammeende veertigjarige periode, waarbij de basis van het boek wordt gevormd door persoonlijke verhalen, zoals van een Pakistaanse anchorman, een Egyptische romanschrijver en de vermoordde journalist Jamal Khashoggi. Kim Ghattas legt hiermee de focus op de pluriforme, tot zwijgen gedoemde meerderheid die vooruitgang wil en vecht tegen de maatschappelijke duisternis sinds 1979.

A year ago, few people had heard of ISIS-- today, they are a major terrorist threat. Despite numerous warnings from intelligence services, ISIS's rise to power has left countries around the world floundering for solutions. Today, we face a threat that is more violent, powerful and financially stronger than ever before. In this book, Journalist Benjamin Hall will provide insights by answering the basic questions we still don't have the answers to; Who are they? Where did they come from? How are they so successful, so quickly? How can they be stopped? By embedding himself behind enemy lines, Hall provides a riveting narrative based on firsthand experience and personal interviews. He goes beyond the vicious jihadis, to reveal a generation of chaos, and uncover a volatile region engulfed in turmoil. Hall reveals why ISIS is a problem that will define the Middle East - and the West - for decades to come.

Ever wonder why we are losing the war on terror? Or how Russia took out more ISIS targets in two days than the US coalition did in two years? ISIS is us tells what's really behind the rise of ISIS. Why the mess in the Middle East is no failure, it's the result of a "divide and chaos" policy. A panel of authors tells the incredible story with impeccable references. Strategy, motive, historical background, it's all here. You'll see why the wars on Iraq, Libya, and Syria were not for democracy, but to break them into quarreling mini-states: divide and rule.

The President recently announced that we don't have a strategy for dealing with ISIS. "It's too soon to say what steps the United States will take against ISIS. I don't want to put the cart before the horse," Obama told reporters during a White House news briefing. "We don't have a

strategy yet."-President Obama If we have been at war with terror for over a decade and still don't have solid strategies for dealing with radical terrorism, then what have we really been doing the last thirteen years? It's a good question to ask yourself, and at least the President was telling the truth when he said we don't have a strategy for ISIS. As ISIS grows in strength with each successful battle, they will also set up the infrastructure of something resembling a functional state. They will become a self-funded organization making millions of dollars from oil revenue. Left unchecked, it is hard to say how powerful they could become. The dream of a pan-Islamic caliphate is most certainly beyond their reach, however, they could carve out a very large swath of the Middle East for their empire. If ISIS were to capture the first and second most holy sites of the Islamic faith, Mecca and Medina, the entire Middle East may very well implode. The ISIS Solution takes a look at the current geopolitical situation, organizational structure of ISIS, and provides new thinking and strategies for dealing with the Islamic State in the Middle East. Its authors and contributors have over fifty years of combined experience in the intelligence, analyst and Special Operations communities. Leadership and a new philosophical conversation of action is needed to eliminate violent terrorism. This book starts the conversation.

ISIS Inside the Army of Terror (Updated Edition) Simon and Schuster

The essential "on the ground" report on the fastest-growing new threat in the Middle East from the Winner of the 2014 Foreign Affairs Journalist of The Year Award. Out of the failures of Iraq and Afghanistan, the Arab Spring and Syria, a new threat emerges. While Al-Qaeda is weakened, new jihadi movements, especially ISIS, are starting to emerge. In military operations in June 2014 they were far more successful than Al Qaeda ever were, taking territory that reaches across borders and includes the city of Mosul. The reports of their military coordination and brutality to their victims are chilling. While they call for the formation of a new caliphate once again the West becomes a target. How could things have gone so badly wrong? In *The Rise of Islamic State*, Cockburn analyses the reasons for the unfolding of US and the West's greatest foreign policy debacle and the impact that it has on the war torn and volatile Middle East.

The war against ISIS is often explained through the group's own rise to power. The American side of the story has not yet been told. This book records how the United States and its allies chose to fight the group, what the consequences have been for transatlantic relations, and how these factors may shape future wars the West decides to pursue. The book is based on first-person interviews with U.S. and European policymakers, and members of the military in direct combat against ISIS - from U.S. and allied forces on the ground to the Kurdish fighters who fought beside them. These interviews show precisely how the West fights wars through the eyes of the people most involved in them and includes key insights about civilian decision-making as it happened. In tracing the war as it developed, the book examines the West's approach to conflict and reveals new insights such as why both the U.S. military and the civilian bureaucracy underestimated Russian military capabilities. The war was always meant to be small and focused, but its repercussions have been considerable and far-reaching, including a serious rupture in Turkish-Western relations and Russia's return to the Middle East. Aaron Stein shows why mistakes were made in the war against ISIS and what happens when a narrow policy focus on counter terrorism is pursued at the expense of almost all wider regional security and political concerns. At a time when the U.S. might be called again to stem the rise of a terror group or to fight against a collective threat, the lessons in this book are essential.

How has one of the most extreme jihadist groups ever known gained a foothold across swaths of Iraq and Syria? How has ISIS exploited fault lines and built influence within key tribal areas? Syrian journalist Hassan Hassan delves deep into the tribal dynamics of the region, seeking to understand how ISIS has been operating, often with great success, alongside these groups for over a decade. Through first-hand

experience, interviews with key tribal figures and ISIS members, Hassan demonstrates the central part tribes play within Iraq and Syria, and that the efforts to overcome ISIS must find a way to separate the jihadist movement from these groups on the ground.

ISIS Terrorism and the Rise Of Isis - The Origins Of ISIS, The Psychology Of The Islamic State, And How They Threaten The World
The "ISIS: Terrorism and the Rise of Isis - The Origins Of ISIS, The Psychology Of The Islamic State, And How They Threaten The World" is written to share important information about the rising threat ISIS. They have declared a war with the United States and trying to conquer different countries of the world. They have a government and claimed to follow Shari'a law. They have an army and involve in numerous crimes, such as raping women, beheadings and shooting innocent children. They are claiming to spread true Islam, but their teachings are far beyond the actual teachings and value of Islam. There are lots of rumors and false concepts about ISIS around the world. This book is designed to clear your concepts about ISIS. After reading this, you can learn about ISIS and their actual ideology. You can learn about their psychology and protect your children from their trap. Download this book and increase your awareness about ISIS to share this knowledge with your children and family members. Here is a preview of what you'll learn: Origin and introduction of ISIS Ideology and Methods of ISIS The Psychology of The Islamic State ISIS the Real Threat for the World Funding and Arms of ISIS How to handle ISIS in a better way? From the best-selling author of *The Commando* and *Born to Fight* comes a fascinating investigation of modern warfare that combines methodical research and the fast-paced action of battle with the personal stories of the combatants on both sides of the line. Taking us from the suburbs of western Sydney and Australia's military army bases, to the battlefields of Afghanistan and Iraq, this is a remarkable book that reveals the as-yet untold story of the battle for Mosul and the secret involvement of Australians on both sides of the war - both our Commandos and Australian ISIS fighters. Mosul details the rise of ISIS influence in Australia, the Iran and Australia allegiance to fight Daesh and shows what led up to the battle and the ramifications that are still being felt at home - by our soldiers and the victims of that war. Ben Mckelvey has extraordinary access to SOCOMD/2COMMANDO units - the most decorated modern Australian fighting unit; ISOF - Iraq's premier fighters; Yazidis women who had been slaves of ISIS; returned Commandos and their devastated families, and explains how petty criminals in Western Sydney became some of our worst jihadists who took their families to Iraq to fight for ISIS. Focusing on the stories of key figures like 2 Commando's Ian Turner and one of Australia's most infamous Jihadist, Khaled Sharrouf, Mckelvey takes us the heart of this brutal battle and brings history to life in an honest, thoughtful and compelling examination of modern warfare. A must-read for anyone interested in modern military history.

Providing up-to-date information for general readers as well as those well-informed about the Islamic State, this book offers an essential understanding of the rise of ISIS and its current influence in the Middle East as well as worldwide. • Presents the information necessary to understand ISIS: who they are, what they want, and why they represent such a unique problem to counteract • Provides readers with the understanding of the problems in the Middle East that created ISIS and enable it to continue to exist • Supplies accurate, insightful perspectives from a Western author who lived for nearly nine years in the Middle East fighting, studying, and advising on ISIS and similar organizations

This Army War College monograph places events in Libya since 2011 into their historical and social context and argues a form of radical Islamism, linked to long-standing national defiance of outside control, remains a factor even after the defeat of the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS). This entrenched radicalism means extremist Islamist groups may still make a renewed bid for power until the current civil war is resolved. At the time of this writing, the military campaign by the Libyan National Army has stalled outside Tripoli. Now is the time for the

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United States and the wider international community to step up and help Libya transition to a unitary government with conventional elections. If this fails to happen and ISIS is able to exploit the current chaos, the hard-won victory over the group in Libya may yet turn out to have been illusory.

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