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“Wondrous . . . Compelling . . . Piercing.” —The New York Times Book Review Award-winning writer Matti Friedman’s tale of Israel’s first spies has all the tropes of an espionage novel, including duplicity, betrayal, disguise, clandestine meetings, the bluff, and the double bluff—but it’s all true. Journalist and award-winning author Matti Friedman’s tale of Israel’s first spies reads like an espionage novel—but it’s all true. The four agents at the center of this story were part of a ragtag unit known as the Arab Section, conceived during World War II by British spies and Jewish militia leaders in Palestine. Intended to gather intelligence and carry out sabotage operations, the unit consisted of Jews who were native to the Arab world and could thus easily assume Arab identities. In 1948, with Israel’s existence hanging in the balance, these men went undercover in Beirut, where they spent the next two years operating out of a newsstand, collecting intelligence and sending messages back to Israel via a radio whose antenna was disguised as a clothesline. Of the dozen spies in the Arab Section at the war’s outbreak, five were caught and executed. But in the end, the Arab Section would emerge as the nucleus of the Mossad, Israel’s vaunted intelligence agency. *Spies of No Country* is about the slippery identities of these young spies, but it’s also about the complicated identity of Israel, a country that presents itself as Western but in fact has more citizens with Middle Eastern roots and traditions, like the spies of this narrative. Meticulously researched and masterfully told, *Spies of No Country* is an eye-opening look at the paradoxes of the Middle East. From the award-winning and critically-acclaimed author of *Pumpkinflowers*, the never-before-told story of the mysterious “Arab Section”: the Jewish-“Arab” spies who, under deep cover in Beirut as refugees, helped the new State of

Israel win the War of Independence. In his third non-fiction book, Matti Friedman introduces us to four unknown young men who are caught up in the fraught events surrounding the birth of Israel in 1948 and drawn into secret lives, becoming the nucleus of Israel's intelligence service. The tiny, amateur unit known as the "Arab Section" was conceived during WWII by British spies and by Jewish militia leaders in Palestine. Consisting of Jews from Arab countries who could pass as Arabs, it was meant to gather intelligence and carry out sabotage and assassinations. When the first Jewish-Arab war erupted in 1948 and Palestinian refugees began fleeing the fighting, a small number of Section agents disguised as refugees joined the exodus. They fled to Beirut, where they spent the next two years under cover, sending messages back to Israel over a radio antenna disguised as a clothesline. Of the dozen men in the unit at the war's beginning, five were caught and executed. Espionage, John le Carré once wrote, is the "secret theater of our society." Spies of No Country is not just a spy story, but a surprising window into the nature of Israel--a country that sees itself as belonging to the story of Europe, but where more than half of the population is native to the Middle East. Starring complicated characters with slippery identities moving in the shadow of great events, Spies of No Country tells a very different story about what Israel is and how it was created. Behind the scenes account of Israeli intelligence. A 'false flag' is the most complex and dangerous of intelligence operations: the recruitment of an agent who believes he is working for an entirely different country. Fluent in German, having lived in Switzerland throughout his youth, Zeev Avni's speciality in Mossad was to cultivate former Nazis employed as military advisers to rebuild Egypt's army. None would willingly have co-operated with him if they had suspected for one moment that he was a Jew - and a professional Israeli intelligence officer. Nor would Mossad have promoted him if it had been realised that their star performer was a long-term mole who for years had haemorrhaged secrets to the Soviets. When Avni's triple life was eventually exposed, he was tried in secret and sentenced to fourteen years' imprisonment. Now, for the first time, he tells the story Mossad would prefer to forget. His unique story of commitment, duplicity and betrayal is the only documented case of Mossad's penetration by Soviets, and will be regarded as a classic by espionage aficionados. A NETFLIX ORIGINAL MOVIE THE BEST INTELLIGENCE BOOK for 2017 by The American Association of Former Intelligence Officers A gripping feat of reportage that exposes—for the first time in English—the sensational life and mysterious death of Ashraf Marwan, an Egyptian senior official who spied for Israel, offering new insight into the turbulent modern history of the Middle East. As the son-in-law of Egyptian president Gamal Abdel Nasser and a close advisor to his successor, Anwar Sadat, Ashraf Marwan had access to the deepest secrets of the country's government. But Marwan himself had a secret: He was a spy for the Mossad, Israel's intelligence service. Under the codename "The Angel," Marwan turned Egypt into an open book for the Israeli intelligence services—and, by alerting the Mossad in advance of the joint Egyptian-Syrian attack on Yom Kippur, saved Israel from a devastating defeat. Drawing on meticulous research and interviews with many key participants, Uri Bar Joseph pieces together Marwan's story. In the process, he sheds new light on this volatile time in modern Egyptian and Middle Eastern history, culminating in

2011's Arab Spring. The Angel also chronicles the discord within the Israeli government that brought down Prime Minister Golda Meir. However, this nail-biting narrative doesn't end with Israel's victory in the Yom Kippur War. Marwan eluded Egypt's ruthless secret services for many years, but then somebody talked. Five years later, in 2007, his body was found in the garden of his London apartment building. Police suspected he had been thrown from his fifth-floor balcony, and thanks to explosive new evidence, Bar-Joseph can finally reveal who, how, and why. In the secret world of spies and covert operations, no other intelligence service continues to be as surrounded by myth and mystery as the Mossad. Gordon Thomas reveals that all too often the truth exceeds all the fantasies about the Mossad. Revised and updated for 2015, this new edition includes: - Mossad's secret meeting in 2013 with Saudi Arabia's intelligence chief to plan for Israel to use Saudi to attack Iran should the Geneva discussion fail to be honored by Iran. - The attack on Iraq's nuclear reactor that will be the flight path to an attack on Iran's nuclear facilities. - Mossad's new cyber-war unit preparing to launch its own pre-emptive strike. - Why Mossad's former director, Meir Dagan, has spoken out against an attack on Iran. - Mossad agents who operate in the "Dark Side" of the internet to track terrorists. - Mossad's drone and its first killing. - Mossad's role in the defense of Israel's Embassy in Cairo during the Arab Spring. - An introduction to Mossad's new director, Tamir Pardo. These and other stunning details combine to give Gideon's Spies the sense of urgency and relevance that is characteristic of truly engrossing nonfiction. The world knows only half the story of British media magnate Robert Maxwell's well-publicized career. He was born poor but thrived on ruthless ambition, devoured his competitors and outsmarted his most formidable peers to build an international empire as a publisher, politician, and industrialist. For the first time, this well-researched book from best-selling author Gordon Thomas and terrorism expert Martin Dillon tells the other, long-secret half of Maxwell's story. We are shown how Maxwell achieved his topmost objective as a superspy for Israel's Mossad; sold PROMIS—America's state-of-the-art surveillance software stolen by Mossad—to the USSR and many other countries; recruited foremost Republican Senator John Tower to acquire for Israel top-secret, cutting-edge U.S. technology being developed at Los Alamos; cultivated his vast KGB connections and strove to involve Israel in a coup to oust Mikhail Gorbachev; and how Maxwell ultimately became Mossad's target in an elaborately prepared assassination plot. For in November 1991, as his yacht cruised offshore of the Canary Islands, the life of Robert Maxwell ended—officially, by drowning. The facts that the news media did not then report or know, what truths even the autopsies concealed, are now revealed. Eight pages of black-and-white illustrations add to this compelling work. Since their formation in 1949, the Mossad has continually lived up to the name given to them, the godfather of all spy agencies. They combine intellectual leadership with a ruthlessness that has impressed both, allies and foes alike. Their willingness to use extreme tactics like kidnapping and assassination to track their enemies is something out of a fiction book. It is because of these methods that the nation of Israel has been able to hold its ground in such an unstable area of the world. Israel, since its formation as a country, has been seen as a usurper of the land formerly owned by its neighbor, Palestine. An argument that will

continue until one of the countries is either destroyed or disarmed. Palestine, being an Arab nation, has many allies in the surrounding areas, giving them a geographical advantage. Be that as it may, the drive and mercilessness of the Mossad is able to keep Israel's head above water and their interests intact; however, Israel's national intelligence agency's reach is far greater than just the middle east. They have a global network. The agency has performed-or been a part of-some of the boldest and fearless operations ever executed. For example, after the Munich Massacre, Israel demanded something other than justice. They wanted vengeance. To do so, the Mossad scoured the globe for those that were a part of the terrorist group Black September and killed all the suspected conspirators. The Jewish religion has been combating anti-Semitism since the Egypt in the old testament-the Mossad is the result. This book is going to dive deep into the Mossad achieves to illuminate other controversial missions like the operation, "Wrath of God" that displayed their unyielding nature towards those that strike against them. It is this persistence that makes them such an effective fighting force in Israel's arsenal. The Israeli Institute for Intelligence and Special Services, the Mossad, is probably the best known of the world's intelligence services, one of the most respected and, certainly, one of the most intriguing. However, despite its fame, the available literature, other than Hebrew, is limited and scattered amongst a variety of subject areas because the tentacles of the Mossad are similarly varied. The aim of this volume is to document the range of English language material available on «f Mossad from its pre-official origins in Europe during the Second World War to e present period of the Middle East peace process. The organization had its origins in the aftermath of the Holocaust, being the agency responsible for organizing the illegal Jewish immigration into Palestine before becoming officially constituted in 1951. Since its formation the Mossad has been intimately involved in each of the significant events in Israel's history, including actions against its Arab neighbors, the hunting of wanted Nazis, spectacular actions such as the raid on Entebbe to free the hostages, counter-terrorist activities, and high technology espionage against friend and foe alike. This bibliography will be of interest to researchers covering intelligence activities and to students, scholars, and librarians interested in the history of Israel and its relations with its Arab neighbors. The early material on the Mossad will also be of special concern to students of the Holocaust and its aftermath. In Spies, Inc. former Time and Business 2.0 writer Stacy Perman reveals the spellbinding story of the Israeli military and 8200, the ultra-secret high-tech intelligence unit whose alumni helped create a number of the groundbreaking technologies behind today's information revolution. An incredible tale in its own right, 8200 is also a remarkable case study in innovation, offering compelling lessons for every business. Likened to the NSA in the U.S., 8200 was established to capture, decipher, and analyze enemy transmissions. But unlike the NSA, 8200 did not have an endless font of resources at its disposal...and, due to secrecy, it couldn't generally buy "off-the-shelf" as a matter of procedure. Instead, it invented and customized many of its own technologies around the unique challenges of a nation that exists on a constant war-footing. Along the way, its soldiers learned to come up with breakthroughs under crushing pressure and challenges. They brought this same sense of purpose under fire and creative improvisation in creating complex systems to the civilian

world where they created top-line technology companies in a number of areas, including wireless communications and security. Whispers of these secret Israeli electronic warriors swept venture capital circles in the 1990s, as a stunning number of Israeli tech startups bore fruit...many founded by 8200 veterans. Now, Stacy Perman tells this incredible story...revealing the techniques of entrepreneurship on the fly, when failure is not an option. **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** • The first definitive history of the Mossad, Shin Bet, and the IDF's targeted killing programs, hailed by The New York Times as "an exceptional work, a humane book about an incendiary subject." **WINNER OF THE NATIONAL JEWISH BOOK AWARD IN HISTORY NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY JENNIFER SZALAI, THE NEW YORK TIMES NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The Economist** • The New York Times Book Review • BBC History Magazine • Mother Jones • Kirkus Reviews

The Talmud says: "If someone comes to kill you, rise up and kill him first." This instinct to take every measure, even the most aggressive, to defend the Jewish people is hardwired into Israel's DNA. From the very beginning of its statehood in 1948, protecting the nation from harm has been the responsibility of its intelligence community and armed services, and there is one weapon in their vast arsenal that they have relied upon to thwart the most serious threats: Targeted assassinations have been used countless times, on enemies large and small, sometimes in response to attacks against the Israeli people and sometimes preemptively. In this page-turning, eye-opening book, journalist and military analyst Ronen Bergman—praised by David Remnick as "arguably [Israel's] best investigative reporter"—offers a riveting inside account of the targeted killing programs: their successes, their failures, and the moral and political price exacted on the men and women who approved and carried out the missions. Bergman has gained the exceedingly rare cooperation of many current and former members of the Israeli government, including Prime Ministers Shimon Peres, Ehud Barak, Ariel Sharon, and Benjamin Netanyahu, as well as high-level figures in the country's military and intelligence services: the IDF (Israel Defense Forces), the Mossad (the world's most feared intelligence agency), Caesarea (a "Mossad within the Mossad" that carries out attacks on the highest-value targets), and the Shin Bet (an internal security service that implemented the largest targeted assassination campaign ever, in order to stop what had once appeared to be unstoppable: suicide terrorism). Including never-before-reported, behind-the-curtain accounts of key operations, and based on hundreds of on-the-record interviews and thousands of files to which Bergman has gotten exclusive access over his decades of reporting, *Rise and Kill First* brings us deep into the heart of Israel's most secret activities. Bergman traces, from statehood to the present, the gripping events and thorny ethical questions underlying Israel's targeted killing campaign, which has shaped the Israeli nation, the Middle East, and the entire world. "A remarkable feat of fearless and responsible reporting . . . important, timely, and informative."—John le Carré

This award-winning study traces the shifting relations between Israel, Iran, and the U.S. since 1948—including secret alliances and treacherous acts. Vitriolic exchanges between the leaders of Iran and Israel are a disturbingly common feature of the news cycle. But the real roots of their enmity mystify Washington policymakers, leaving no promising

pathways to stability. In *Treacherous Alliance*, U.S. foreign policy expert Trita Parsi untangles the complex and often duplicitous relationship among Israel, Iran, and the United States from 1948 to the present. In the process, he reveals shocking details of unsavory political maneuverings that have undermined Middle Eastern peace and disrupted U.S. foreign policy initiatives in the region. Parsi draws on his unique access to senior American, Iranian, and Israeli decision makers to present behind-the-scenes revelations that will surprise even the most knowledgeable readers: Iran's prime minister asks Israel to assassinate Khomeini; Israel reaches out to Saddam Hussein after the Gulf War; the United States foils Iran's plan to withdraw support from Hamas and Hezbollah; and more. *Treacherous Alliance* not only revises our understanding of the recent past, it also spells out a course for the future. An Arthur Ross Book Award Silver Medal Winner and a Choice Magazine Outstanding Academic Title, *The Israeli Institute for Intelligence and Special Services*, the Mossad, is probably the best known of the world's intelligence services, one of the most respected and, certainly, one of the most intriguing. However, despite its fame, the available literature, other than Hebrew, is limited and scattered amongst a variety of subject areas because the tentacles of the Mossad are similarly varied. The aim of this volume is to document the range of English language material available on the Mossad from its pre-official origins in Europe during the Second World War to the present period of the Middle East peace process. The organization had its origins in the aftermath of the Holocaust, being the agency responsible for organizing the illegal Jewish immigration into Palestine before becoming officially constituted in 1951. Since its formation the Mossad has been intimately involved in each of the significant events in Israel's history, including actions against its Arab neighbors, the hunting of wanted Nazis, spectacular actions such as the raid on Entebbe to free the hostages, counter-terrorist activities, and high technology espionage against friend and foe alike. This bibliography will be of interest to researchers covering intelligence activities and to students, scholars, and librarians interested in the history of Israel and its relations with its Arab neighbors. The early material on the Mossad will also be of special concern to students of the Holocaust and its aftermath. Muki Betser was born in Israel's Jezreel Valley and grew up to become one of the leaders of his country's most elite commando unit, Sayeret Matkal. Newspapers refer to the Sayeret, or special reconnaissance forces, as the "tip of the spear" of the Israel Defense Forces (IDF). But Sayeret Matkal—or simply, the Unit—was the cream of that crop, carrying out some of the best-known antiterrorist raids of the last twenty-five years. "This book appeared in slightly different form in England under the title *The Imperfect Spies*, copyright 1989"—T.p. verso. Through its professionalism, daring, and creativity, the Israeli Intelligence community has made important contributions to intelligence services around the world in the struggle against global terrorism. But how much is known about it? How does it work, and how was it built? Who were the leaders and driving forces of the community? What were the defining events in its history? What are its areas of activity – what are the secrets of its success? *Israel's Silent Defender* is the first book of its kind – an inside look at the Israeli intelligence community over the last sixty years. It is a compilation of the writings of those officers who served – and some who still do – in the highest positions of the Israeli intelligence community. In *Israel's*

Silent Defender, Brigadier Generals (Res.) Amos Gilboa and Ephraim Lapid have compiled thirty seven essays written by experts and leaders of Israeli intelligence, among them high-ranking analysts and J2s, commanders of human intelligence (HUMINT), signal intelligence (SIGINT), visual intelligence (VISINT) and open source intelligence (OSINT) units, and heads of the Israel Defense Intelligence (IDI), the Mossad and the Shabak. A man who worked in the innermost circles of Israel's clandestine services bares all about Robert Maxwell's greed, paying Iran to delay the release of the hostages, and the millions of dollars now sitting in a CIA and Israeli intelligence slush fund. Please note: This is a companion version & not the original book. Sample Book Insights: #1 Mossad is the most intriguing intelligence service. It operates on behalf of a country that is surrounded by enemy states, and its citizens are constantly threatened by war. Nevertheless, they are the best intelligence service in the world. #2 The CIA may have more technical resources, but no intelligence service is more feared than Mossad. The popular view of its activities in the outside world is of an efficient, cunning and dreadnought secret service. #3 Mossad, the Israeli secret service, has been in operation for more than 60 years. It has carried out many missions, from capturing Nazi war criminals to helping win wars. It has also irritated European governments and the US administration by flouting the accepted rules of international behavior. #4 The reputation of Israeli intelligence was once legendary. But as the country's focus shifted from the Egyptians to the Palestinians and terrorism, some elements turned to counter-terrorism in order to combat enemies at home and abroad. A powerful history of Israel's intelligence community, from 1948 to the crises of today. Stopping Iran's nuclear program involves sabotage, assassination, intimidation, and deception. The book tells the story, never told before, of Kidon-- the super-secret operations unit that is like a Mossad within the Mossad. From the award-winning and critically-acclaimed author of Pumpkinflowers, the never-before-told story of the mysterious "Arab Section": the Jewish-"Arab" spies who, under deep cover in Beirut as refugees, helped the new State of Israel win the War of Independence. In his third non-fiction book, Matti Friedman introduces us to four unknown young men who are caught up in the fraught events surrounding the birth of Israel in 1948 and drawn into secret lives, becoming the nucleus of Israel's intelligence service. The tiny, amateur unit known as the "Arab Section" was conceived during WWII by British spies and by Jewish militia leaders in Palestine. Consisting of Jews from Arab countries who could pass as Arabs, it was meant to gather intelligence and carry out sabotage and assassinations. When the first Jewish-Arab war erupted in 1948 and Palestinian refugees began fleeing the fighting, a small number of Section agents disguised as refugees joined the exodus. They fled to Beirut, where they spent the next two years under cover, sending messages back to Israel over a radio antenna disguised as a clothesline. Of the dozen men in the unit at the war's beginning, five were caught and executed. Espionage, John le Carré once wrote, is the "secret theater of our society." Spies of No Country is not just a spy story, but a surprising window into the nature of Israel--a country that sees itself as belonging to the story of Europe, but where more than half of the population is native to the Middle East. Starring complicated characters with slippery identities moving in the shadow of great events, Spies of No Country tells a very

different story about what Israel is and how it was created. "This book tells what should have been known and isn't—that Israel's hidden force is as formidable as its recognized physical strength." — Israeli President Shimon Peres For decades, Israel's renowned security arm, the Mossad, has been widely recognized as the best intelligence service in the world. In *Mossad*, authors Michael Bar-Zohar and Nissim Mishal take us behind the closed curtain with riveting, eye-opening, boots-on-the-ground accounts of the most dangerous, most crucial missions in the agency's 60-year history. These are real Mission: Impossible true stories brimming with high-octane action—from the breathtaking capture of Nazi executioner Adolph Eichmann to the recent elimination of key Iranian nuclear scientists. Anyone who is fascinated by the world of international espionage, intelligence, and covert "Black-Ops" warfare will find *Mossad* electrifying reading. *Mossad* unveils the defining and most dangerous operations, unknown heroes, and mysterious agents of the world's most respected—and most enigmatic—intelligence service. Here are the thrilling stories of daring top secret missions, including the capture of Adolf Eichmann, the eradication of Black September, the destruction of the Syrian nuclear facility, and the elimination of key Iranian nuclear scientists. Drawn from intensive research and exclusive interviews with Israeli leaders and Mossad operatives, this riveting history brings to life the brave agents, deadly villains, and major battlegrounds that have shaped Israel and the world at large for more than sixty years. Israeli intelligence has been known for decades, for its effectiveness, imagination and bravery, while its determined willingness to fight against global terrorism has witnessed some spectacular and audacious results. But what is it really like inside the Israeli intelligence community? What drove it to become one of the premier Intelligence services in the world? Who are the men and women behind it? In this observant and enthralling book, *Israel's Silent Defender: An Inside Look at Sixty Years of Israeli Intelligence* Ephraim Lapid and Amos Gilboa take you on a journey which looks at the history of Israeli Intelligence; How it was created How it works The leaders who drove it forward The defining moments of the service throughout history Areas of activity The secrets of its success Taken from over sixty years of the works and accounts of previous serving officers this isn't just a work of research, but a living memory of people who were there and who worked tirelessly to protect a country surrounded by enemies. *Israel's Silent Defender* is the first book of its kind and a unique look at the Israeli intelligence community over the last sixty years. Its pages are likely to surprise and enthrall you in equal measure. An inside look at Israel's intelligence service by an English journalist depicts the many successful and some not so successful top-secret operations, including the theft of fifty French Mirages III jets and Ben Gurion's wire-tapping activities An expert on terror and political extremism, Ami Pedahzur argues in this book that Israel's strict reliance on the intelligence community and its elite units is fundamentally flawed. *Mossad* unveils the defining and most dangerous operations, unknown heroes, and mysterious agents of the world's most respected--and most enigmatic--intelligence service. Here are the thrilling stories of daring top secret missions, including the capture of Adolf Eichmann, the eradication of Black September, the destruction of the Syrian nuclear facility, and the elimination of key Iranian nuclear scientists. Drawn from intensive research and exclusive interviews with

Israeli leaders and Mossad operatives, this riveting history brings to life the brave agents, deadly villains, and major battlegrounds that have shaped Israel and the world at large for more than sixty years. Discover the untold stories of Israel's most effective Secret Service... Depending on whom you ask, the Mossad can be seen as a legion of heroes or a group of villains. Officially, the Mossad is an intelligence agency responsible for intelligence collection, covert operations, counterterrorism, bringing Jews to Israel, and protecting Jewish communities. But one thing is clear: they're endorsed by the State of Israel, meaning they're endorsed to kill. Now, in this book, you'll discover many of the Mossad's covert operations-including the ones not often talked about...the ones that shame...and those that are best left forgotten. Secrets of this highly tactical organization will be revealed, including information not available to the public. With this information in hand you'll have myriad perspectives on the Mossad. You'll know whether you deem them saints-or if they are the epitome of a killing machine. Or you may be neutral to their actions, understanding that the Mossad does what it has to at times. In any way, this book aims to give details on the Mossad's covert missions in fairly objective terms. After reading this book, you'll learn: All about the Mossad's high profile assassinations (including hits on renowned leaders) The Mossad's successful and failed missions About the Mossad's most controversial missions The casualties involved in their missions Aspects of the Mossad that have been veiled...until now About the criticism its gotten by a prominent ex-Mossad agent About the capture of the "Butcher of Rig" How people who help Mossad's enemies get assassinated About Mossad's role in embarrassing the Soviet Union How the Mossad gains the trust of its allies and enemies About the sudden assassinations of German and Egyptian Scientists And much, much more... Download this book today and discover the Mossad's deathly missions...its quest for redemption...and its statement to the entire world. *Includes pictures *Includes online resources and a bibliography for further reading

The conflict between the Israelis and Palestinians is technically 69 years old and counting but has its roots in over 2,000 years of history. With so much time and history, the Middle East peace process has become laden with unique, politically sensitive concepts like the right of return, contiguous borders, secure borders, demilitarized zones, and security requirements, with players like the Quartet, Palestinian Authority, Fatah, Hamas, the Arab League and Israel. Over time, it has become exceedingly difficult for even sophisticated political pundits and followers to keep track of it all. Thanks to the existential crises Israel faced in the first decades of its existence, it was virtually necessary to possess superior intelligence organizations, so it should come as no surprise that the Mossad is one of the most famed agencies in history. In Hebrew, Mossad means "the Institute," but the name is short for Mossad Merkazi le-Modiin ule-Tafkidim Meyuhadim, which means, "Central Institute for Intelligence and Special Operations." Comprised of 10 separate departments, the Mossad as it exists today was formed via a directive during the leadership of Prime Minister Ben Gurion, and it stated, "For our state which since its creation has been under siege by its enemies. Intelligence constitutes the first line of defense...we must learn well how to recognize what is going on around us." Since then, the Mossad has been recognized by some as the greatest intelligence service in the world and one of the most ruthless and

opaque by others. Since its inception in 1949, the Mossad has been credited with incredible rescues, violent assassinations, and the clever sabotage of enemy operations. Whether nefarious or essential, both critics and supporters of Mossad recognize that its estimated 1,200 employees have the unique ability to adapt to uncertain and hostile circumstances, accomplish large-scale objectives with limited resources, and persevere when seemingly hopelessly outnumbered. *The Mossad: The History and Legacy of Israel's National Intelligence Agency* looks at the agency's organizational characteristics, historical inception, Cold War growth, and its recent influence. Along with pictures and a bibliography, you will learn about the agency like never before. For Israel—more so than for any other state—an effective Intelligence Community has been a matter of life and death. Over the past half-century or so, Israel has created and refined what is broadly regarded as one of the best intelligence networks in the world. It has repeatedly undone efforts by hostile Arab neighbors to defeat it in war, foiled countless terrorist attacks, contributed to military preparedness and armament production, and helped millions of Jews to reach the Promised Land. Unfortunately, it has also committed some terrible mistakes and made blunders it can ill afford. With all of this activity, it is no wonder so much has been written about Israeli Intelligence. However, a handy reference work bringing the various strands together has been sorely needed yet unavailable, until now. *The Historical Dictionary of Israeli Intelligence* provides detailed information on the various agencies, operations, important leaders and operatives, and special aspects of tradecraft through a chronology, an introduction, a dictionary full of cross-referenced entries, and a bibliography suggesting further reading. This is the story of Reuven Shiloah - the man who established the Mossad, and laid the foundations for the intelligence community of the State of Israel. The book is based on private archives, and interviews with people who worked closely with Shiloah both in Israel and abroad. The true story behind “one of history’s great manhunts” and the film *Operation Finale* by the Mossad legend who caught the most wanted Nazi in the world (The New York Times). In 1960 Argentina, a covert team of Israeli agents hunted down the most elusive war criminal alive: Adolf Eichmann, chief architect of the Holocaust. The young spy who tackled Eichmann on a Buenos Aires street—and fought every compulsion to strangle the Obersturmführer then and there—was Peter Z. Malkin. For decades Malkin’s identity as Eichmann’s captor was kept secret. Here he reveals the entire breathtaking story—from the genesis of the top-secret surveillance operation to the dramatic public capture and smuggling of Eichmann to Israel to stand trial. The result is a portrait of two men. One, a freedom fighter, intellectually curious and driven to do right. The other, the dutiful Good German who, through his chillingly intimate conversations with Malkin, reveals himself as the embodiment of what Hannah Arendt called “the banality of evil.” Singular, riveting, troubling, and gratifying, *Eichmann in My Hands* “remind[s] of what is at stake: not only justice but our own humanity” (New York Newsday). Now Malkin’s story comes to life on the screen with Oscar Isaac playing the heroic Mossad agent and Academy Award winner Ben Kingsley playing Eichmann in *Operation Finale*. Born in Baghdad to Jewish parents in 1920, Joshua Horesh left Iraq in 1938 when rising Nazism spread across the country. His unique background allowed him to work with British

Intelligence during World War II, where he served with distinction until jailed in Cairo. Sentenced to deportation from Egypt to Beirut, the author escaped to Palestine and rejoined the British, but this time he secretly served the Palestinian underground, providing information on British policies toward the Jews. Horesh then served as an intelligence officer in Israel's 1948 War of Independence, and he was successful in breaking Egypt's military codes. After the war he joined the new Israeli government's intelligence service, the Mossad, working primarily in Turkey and Austria under an assumed Arab identity. This is the fascinating, behind-the-scenes story of Israel's intelligence service in the early years of the new nation's history. Surveys Israeli intelligence operations from the 1930s to the Ostrovsky affair and describes relations with the American intelligence community. From the author of the internationally bestselling "supremely effective, cunningly crafted" (The Providence Journal) thriller *Traitor*, a cerebral, suspenseful, and "different kind of spy novel" (Kirkus Reviews) filled with high-stakes intrigue in Israel's top intelligence agency. After Ya'ara Stein is forced out of her job at the Mossad—the secret intelligence service of Israel—the Prime Minister offers her a classified job. Known for her aptitude, beauty, and deadliness, Stein is asked to set up a secret unit that will act independently, answerable only to the Prime Minister. This deadly team, filled with bright young men and women recruited and trained by Stein, quickly faces threats both old and new. Descendants of the lethal militant Red Army Faction have returned to terrorize Europe and fears of a radical Islam splinter group force the unit to distinguish between facts and smoke screens. As Stein's cadets struggle to crush these threats, they soon discover how easily the hunter can become the hunted. A dazzling, tension-filled novel that sheds light on the world hidden just below the surface of our everyday lives, this "multidimensional...authentic" (San Francisco Review of Books) thriller offers a peek behind the curtain of today's deadliest conflicts. With breathless pacing and shocking twists and turns, it proves that Jonathan de Shalit "has learned well from the likes of Mr. le Carré" (The Wall Street Journal). Annotated bibliography containing some 400 entries

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