

## Commando The Royal Marine Space Commandos Book 1

A wide-sweeping panorama of the end of British world domination, *A Fighting Retreat* is the stirring tale of both the long, drawn out campaigns which accompanied the transfer of power and the untold oral history of the courageous individuals who took part. Emperors, Kings and Dukes struggle for power and influence but one man must fight just to stay alive. When the ship taking him to prison founders, Marrinek washes up on an unfriendly shore. Stripped of honour and position, abandoned by his friends, forgotten by his enemies, he is yesterday's man. Marrinek flees to the city state of Vensille but powerful forces are gathering, intent on ending forever the threat that he poses. Alone, he must choose between the safety of anonymous exile and a perilous quest for revenge against the most powerful people in the Empire. The twins Floost and Darek hide amongst the rooftops of Vensille and scrape a living from the streets. Living in fear of the gangs, the watch and the dark remnants of the slave trade, they dream of escape and safety. Adrava skulks in a remote seminary, fearful of her husband's enemies. But Marrinek's escape awakens Adrava's thirst for vengeance, tempting her forth to seek the husband she hasn't seen for two years.

A stolen enemy warship. A galaxy on the brink of war. Their deadliest undercover mission yet... Captain Warden doesn't have much time to celebrate his promotion. Teamed up with a Royal Navy lieutenant, he's tasked with infiltrating the enemy's heavily-militarized star system. In a hijacked warship with stolen clone bodies, one wrong move could turn their mission into an execution. In a race against time to discover the secrets of the Deathless, Captain Warden makes a bold move: kidnapping a high-ranking officer. Now with the entire enemy fleet in pursuit, the Space Marine and his Navy crew must conduct an interrogation in the midst of a battle they might not walk away from. Can Captain Warden pull off the dangerous raid, or will his ship fall to a vicious enemy? *Ascendant* is the third book in the fast-paced Royal Marine Space Commandos military sci-fi series. If you like gritty action, bold heroes, and spectacular space combat, then you'll love Jon & James Evans' interstellar adventure. Buy *Ascendant* to join a daring space intelligence mission today!

Called to action on 2 April 1982, the men of 45 Commando Royal Marines assembled from around the world to sail 8,000 miles to recover the Falkland Islands from Argentine invasion. Lacking helicopters and short of food, they yomped in appalling weather carrying overloaded rucksacks, across the roughest terrain. Yet for a month in mid-winter, they remained a cohesive fighting-fit body of men. They then fought and won the highly successful and fierce night battle for Two Sisters, a 1,000 foot high mountain which was the key to the defensive positions around Stanley. This is a first hand story of that epic feat, but it is much more than that. The first to be written by a company commander in the Falklands War, the book gives a compelling, vivid description of the yomp and infantry fighting, and it also offers penetrating insights into the realities of war at higher levels. It is a unique combination of descriptive writing about front-line fighting and wider reflections on the Falklands War, and conflict in general. Gritty and moving; sophisticated, reflective and funny, this book offers an abundance of timeless truths about war. Postscript: Yomping was the word used by the Commandos for carrying heavy loads on long marches. It caught the public's imagination during this short but bitter

campaign and epitomized the grim determination and professionalism of our troops.

Little has been written about Royal Marines rotary aviation, the small and select unit which operated light helicopters between 1965 and 1995. Officer and senior non-commissioned officer pilots had the unique privilege of being both Commandos and aviators, flying from warships and operating ashore in support of the Royal Marines. Initially called Unit Air Troops, which then coalesced into 3 Commando Brigade Air Squadron Royal Marines, they operated in hostile environments, including the Arctic, mountains, jungles and deserts. Robert Wilsey served in the Royal Marines from 1969 to 2000. Having qualified as a pilot he served through much of the existence of the Royal Marines Air Squadron, from a junior pilot right up to becoming its commanding officer. In this unique book, the author tells of the evolution and technological advances of Royal Marines aviation, flying the Westland Sioux, Scout, Gazelle, and, ultimately, Lynx helicopters. He describes the rigorous training undertaken, including flying from ships at sea, and of operating globally from Malta, Northern Ireland, the jungles of Brunei, the Pyrenees, Arctic Norway and, in 1991, Northern Iraq, protecting the Kurds during Operation Haven. Colonel Wilsey also describes the challenges of the British military's basic and advanced rotary flying training, from both a student's and flying instructor's perspectives. He explains the pressures of leading a flying display team and relates stories of accidents and incidents, many amusing, several chaotic and some tragic, previously unknown to the general public. This is a vivid first-hand account of military rotary wing flying which will appeal to aircrew both civil and military, aviation enthusiasts and military historians.

While many books have been written on the Falklands War, this is the first to focus on the vital aspect of logistics. The challenges were huge; the lack of preparation time; the urgency; the huge distances involved; the need to requisition ships from trade to name but four.??After a brief discussion of events leading to Argentina's invasion the book describes in detail the rush to re-organise and deploy forces, despatch a large task force, the innovative solutions needed to sustain the Task Force, the vital staging base at Ascension Island, the in-theatre resupply, the set-backs and finally the restoring of order after victory.??Had the logistics plan failed, victory would have been impossible and humiliation inevitable, with no food for the troops, no ammunition for the guns, no medical support for casualties etc.??The lessons learnt have never been more important with increasing numbers of out-of-area operations required in remote trouble spots at short notice. The Falklands experience is crucial for the education of new generations of military planners and fascinating for military buffs and this book fills an important gap.

The Royal Marines were originally formed under the auspices of the Royal Navy to guard its sailing ships from harm. They are proud of their history and origins but the Navy heritage is fading. John Parker charts how the units have moved away from their nautical beginnings to develop, over time, into the most versatile force in the British military, containing one of their most elite brigades. The Royal Marines Commandos have, over the past few years, developed into the premier fighting organisation on land, sea and air. This history deals with events associated with the Royal Marines and subsequently in their commando role, starring in all major conflicts including Italy, Malaysia, the Borneo confrontation with Indonesia, and more recently Afghanistan.

This is a story of tragedy, unrequited love, international suspense, and driving ambition to defeat the grab for world domination.

Kafira Weiss is an Israeli Biomedical Scientist whose passionate life purpose is to find a cure for the world's most deadly disease. After a tragic beginning, Kafira becomes the World's leading expert on the disease, working at CDC in Atlanta to continue her research as the Associate Director of the Special Pathogens Unit. In 1981, the Supreme Leader of North Korea lands rockets on the Moon, claiming the Moon for North Korea, to the exclusion of every other nation on Earth. To force the United Nations and the Member Countries to agree to his Claim, Kim il Jong threatens to infect the world with a deadly disease. Shin Min Shu, is a North Korean Biomedical Scientist who has been forced to develop a more deadly strain of the virus central to the Claim. But Shin Min Shu is unhappy to be party to the killing of women and children that will inevitably occur if the United Nations rejects the North Korean Claim. Charles Edmonds is an ex Royal Marine Commando turned Astronomer who is now the Special Assistant to the Director of NASA. Charles becomes involved in the investigation of a teenage boy's observation of a flash on the Moon that has been reported to the FBI. The investigation reveals a ruthless organisation that will stop at nothing to ensure that the Claim is agreed. The CIA believes that the United States is being threatened, but needs proof. Kafira, as the World's leading expert on the disease has been requested to be part of the Lunar Module crew, to investigate the suspected presence on the Moon. Kafira agrees, and in doing so creates history as the first woman to walk on the Moon. The desperate question facing Kafira is whether she is able to find a cure for the disease that the North Koreans intend to use before the deliberate infections reach epidemic proportions.

A behind-the-scenes look at the elite branch of the military, made up of both Army and Air Force personnel, covers its people, technology, and mission

When her world is destroyed by seemingly unstoppable planet pirates and her family is slaughtered, former commando leader Alicia DeVries turns pirate herself, steals a cutting-edge ship from the Empire, and launches a campaign to seek revenge on those responsible, only to find that her fellow veterans are equally determined to stop her, in an expanded new version of the classic novel Path of the Fury.

"From the 25 pounder to the devastating G5 and G6 guns—to the Valkirie 127mm multiple-rocket launcher and M5 mortar. This work covers all operations of the Border War in which the South African gunners took part, starting in early 1975 when a young second lieutenant was seconded to train UNITA troops in Angola on US 4.2-inch mortars—through Operation Savannah, the first operation, to the last rounds that were fired in June 1988 against the Cuban 80th Division in southern Angola. During this period, the artillery grew from an under-strength troop of 17 men and two medium guns to an artillery brigade supporting a mechanized division. It is a story of heroism, of fear, of well-planned, successful operations and of losses to own forces by ill-timed and inaccurate fire. It tells the story of the 8,500 South African gunners who took part in operations during that time. Personal accounts are merged with historical fact organized in chronological order, highlighting the shortage of modern equipment and the efforts to combat a well-equipped, numerically superior enemy through innovation, application of the principles of war and sheer pluckiness. Clive Wilsworth was called up for national service in 1969 to the School of Artillery, Potchefstroom, and then posted to 4th Field Regiment as an assistant OP officer. After a six-year stint with the Natal Field Artillery and as a territorial captain with the Regiment Port Natal, he signed on as a regular with 14th Field Regiment, South African Artillery. From 1978 to 1988, as a battery commander and Intelligence Staff Officer, he saw action in several major operations during the Border War. He was

involved in the development of new weapon systems, leading the first 127mm multiple-rocket launcher and G6 courses. His last posting was to Army HQ, Pretoria as Project Officer for the development of the Artillery Target Engagement System—the digitization of the artillery. He retired in 1994 with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. Clive is now a business consultant living in Johannesburg."

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This paper clearly shows the immediate relevancy of historical study to current events. One of the most common criticisms of the U.S. plan to invade Iraq in 2003 is that too few troops were used. The argument often fails to satisfy anyone for there is no standard against which to judge. A figure of 20 troops per 1000 of the local population is often mentioned as the standard, but as McGrath shows, that figure was arrived at with some questionable assumptions. By analyzing seven military operations from the last 100 years, he arrives at an average number of military forces per 1000 of the population that have been employed in what would generally be considered successful military campaigns. He also points out a variety of important factors affecting those numbers—from geography to local forces employed to supplement soldiers on the battlefield, to the use of contractors—among others.

Military fitness means being fit for anything. As a member of an elite military team you could be hacking through dense jungle one day, cross country skiing the next and battling through the urban sprawl of a city ruined by heavy shelling the day after that. Being military fit means you have to be versatile. Strength without fitness or fitness without agility and quickness are of little use and your all-round fitness may be all that ensures your survival.

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**THE FINAL SHOWDOWN ON TROY!** The strange bird-like aliens that humans have nicknamed "Dusters" have destroyed a human colony, the Semi-Autonomous World Troy. The North American Union sent a massive force of troops from the Marines, Army, and Navy in response. In orbit, the remnants of the Navy must pull together and fight off the latest wave of Duster reinforcements to come through the wormhole and press their attack. On the ground, Marines are locked in pitched combat with the Dusters, who continue to press their advantage, now with a weapon of devastating power, mounted on a large tank-like vehicle. At headquarters, the Army Corps of Engineers must figure out how those tanks work and figure out how to either stop them-or use them! And back on Earth, the NAU President must decide humanities next course of action, even as scientists try to discover the Dusters' secrets to help the soldiers, sailors, and Marines win- -and time is running out!

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Includes more than 40 maps, plans and illustrations. This volume in the official History of the Marine Corps chronicles the part played by United States Marines in the Chosin Reservoir Campaign. The race to the Yalu was on. General of the Army Douglas MacArthur's strategic triumph at Inchon and the subsequent breakout of the U.S. Eighth Army from the Pusan Perimeter and the recapture of Seoul had changed the direction of the war. Only the finishing touches needed to be done to complete the destruction of the North Korean People's Army. Moving up the east coast was the independent X Corps, commanded by Major General Edward M. Almond, USA. The 1st Marine Division, under Major General Oliver P. Smith, was part of X Corps and had been so since the 15 September 1950 landing at Inchon. After Seoul the 1st Marine Division had reloaded into its amphibious ships and had swung around the Korean peninsula to land at Wonsan on the east coast. The landing on 26 October 1950 met no opposition; the port had been taken from the land side by the resurgent South Korean army. The date was General Smith's 57th birthday, but he let it pass unnoticed. Two days later he ordered Colonel Homer L. Litzenberg, Jr., 47, to move his 7th Marine Regimental Combat Team north from Wonsan to Hamhung. Smith was then to prepare for an advance to the Manchurian border, 135 miles distant. And so began one of the Marine Corps' greatest battles—or, as the Corps would call it, the "Chosin Reservoir Campaign." The Marines called it the "Chosin" Reservoir because that is what their Japanese-based maps called it. The South Koreans, nationalistic sensibilities disturbed, preferred—and, indeed, would come to insist—that it be called the "Changjin" Reservoir.

A remarkable story of true events. Devastated by the death of my grandfather, Ron, I'm amazed to discover what I thought were the ravings

of an unbalanced mind may actually be true. Captivated by the family portrait of Grandad, entitled BEAU BÊTE (Beautiful but Stupid Beast). I set out to learn more about the wartime unit Ron was always so reticent to talk about. From the scribbled and sometimes manic memoirs of Ron's and the very men that he served with, I decipher the incredible story of a Commando Sniper and the history of Ian 'James Bond' Fleming's TOP SECRET intelligence gathering unit - 30AU, a unit Fleming himself called his 'Red Indians'. From my Nan's treasured love letters her past is revealed, as member of the Maquis (French Resistance - FFI) helping downed Allied Airmen escape and the wealthy family who disowned her for loving a poor English soldier. Her brother's struggle against the Nazi regime and untimely, suspicious death and Ron's involvement in covert missions to capture Hitler's scientists, ahead of the Russians and the Americans, including the real story of how the Nazi/NASA scientists actually ended up in the USA, working on their space/weapons rocket research programme.

"Kindness flourishes in an Afghan war zone, where British Royal Marine Farthing begins rescuing the starving strays nosing their way onto his compound...Readers will come to know and love each mutt and to admire Farthing, whose caring doesn't end when his tour does."

—People The remarkable true story of one man's fight to save the stray dogs of Afghanistan. In the remote outpost of Now Zad, Afghanistan, Pen Farthing and his troop of young Royal Marines survive frequent engagements with the Taliban and forge links with the local community. Appalled by the horrors of local dog fighting, Pen has no choice but to intervene. Then one of the dogs he frees finds his way into the Marine compound—and into Pen's heart. Soon other strays are drawn into the sanctuary provided by the makeshift pound, including one young mother who crawls under the compound fence carrying her newborn pups to safety. As his tour of duty draws to an end, Pen cannot leave the dogs of Now Zad to their fates. He begins hatching plans to help them escape to a better life. One Dog at a Time is the gripping account of one man's courage and humanity, and his fight to make a difference in the most hostile and dangerous environments, one dog at a time. Royal Marines take charge of their minds. Once you can take charge of your mind you can unlock your potential. The Royal Marines is one of the most-respected 'brands' in our Armed Forces. As an elite force, held at peak readiness for worldwide rapid response to neutralise enemy threats, they are the UK's Commando Force and the Royal Navy's amphibious troops. Deployed globally, often without host nation permission, they are projected from the sea to conduct special operations on land. This compact illustrated handbook is based on the Royal Marines' 14-week training period of lessons that determines whether a new recruit is fit to become a Royal Marine Commando. Looking at the key stages of this training, Think Like A Marine shows how we can adapt the Royal Marine development programme to our everyday lives and learn how to anticipate situations in order to achieve the best possible outcomes. Includes advice on how to become fit in mind and body, as well as some invaluable survival techniques that will influence and change your life for the better. Roll your socks so they 'smile', think like an 'ice man', get kit-muster ready for a modern survival trip, sharpen your instincts and think critically are just a few of the subjects covered in this fascinating book.

'I was on a train, and a German soldier began shouting at me and poking me in the ribs with his machine gun. I just thought that was it, the game was up . . .' Downed airman Bob Frost faced danger at every turn as he was smuggled out of France and over the Pyrenees. Prisoner of war Len Harley went on the run in Italy, surviving months in hiding and then a hazardous climb over the Abruzzo mountains with German troops hot on his heels. These are just some of the stories told in heart-stopping detail as Monty Halls takes us along the freedom trails out of occupied Europe, from the immense French escape lines to lesser-known routes in Italy and Slovenia. Escaping Hitler features spies and traitors, extraordinary heroism from those who ran the escape routes and offered shelter to escapees, and great feats of endurance. The SAS in Operation Galia fought for forty days behind enemy lines in Italy and then, exhausted and pursued by the enemy, exfiltrated across the

Apennine mountains. And in Slovenia Australian POW Ralph Churches and British Les Laws orchestrated the largest successful Allied escape of the entire war. Mixing new research, interviews with survivors and his own experience of walking the trails, Monty brings the past to life in this dramatic and gripping slice of military history.

Historical recruitment campaigns to become a Royal Marines Commando drew on a harrowing but intriguing narrative: 99.9% Need Not Apply. In 2005, only one in a thousand applications for the Royal Marines were successful in reaching the end of training, earning the Coveted Green Beret - a world renowned symbol of excellence. Becoming the 0.1% is the first-ever diary account of this training regime, charting the odds-stacked journey of Gareth Timmins, a 20-year-old recruit at the time, and providing a psychological framework for understanding how he was able to cultivate the mental strength and resilience needed to push through to success. Each week of training is accompanied by lessons on his short-comings and growth to peak performance. It uses real-life and often terrifying experiences to describe to the reader the edge you need to cultivate a 0.1% mindset and succeed in life and work, by learning how to: Visualise achievements Combat fatigue and burnout Stay motivated by not losing sight of the end goal Eradicate complacency and achieve mastery Redefine expectation and regulate disappointment Live without convenience Thrive under pressure Break down self-imposed limitations Be held accountable to others

"The book presents eight issues that hold people back such as guilt, shame, fear, anger, and isolation and helps readers give them, replacing them with positives such as hope, love, trust, forgiveness, connection and community"--Provided by publisher.

Few people realise that Ian Fleming, the creator of the greatest fictional spy the world has ever known, James Bond, was also instrumental in the creation and the running of a TOP SECRET World War Two unit. A unit created from the cream of British Military men, Royal Navy Officers, Royal Marine Officers, the British Army and some Royal Airforce Officers, all backed up by the specially trained fighting men of the Green Berets, the Royal Marine Commandos. This units remit was to 'Attain by Surprise' to move ahead of the Allies frontline forces and capture by any means possible enemy intelligence and personel. These men were also under strict orders of secrecy and to 'Eliminate' any witnesses to the intelligence captured, 'Licenced to Kill'. This book gives a facinating insight into the relms of the Allied Nations at war and the means those nations will go to to achieve their objectives. Some of these records prove conclusively that those Allied Governments hid some very important facts, facts which could even undermine the very foundation of the US space program.

Dreadnought; a museum piece in the frontline of an interstellar war. Lieutenant Commander Cohen has been given command of a relic, an orbital museum pressed back into service by a desperate Royal Navy. After a hasty refit, he takes Dreadnought on a rescue mission deep into enemy territory to retrieve an admiral taken hostage by the Deathless. If the interrogators break Admiral Morgan before Cohen can reach him, the Deathless will gain a wealth of classified intelligence and an unbeatable advantage in the war. But the odds are against them. Will Dreadnought survive the voyage? Can Cohen find the Admiral before he talks? Will Captain Warden and his Marines be able to rescue the hostage? Dreadnought is the fifth book in the gritty Royal Marine Space Commandos military sci-fi series. If you like battle-hardened heroes, space fleet combat, and non-stop action, then you'll love Jon & James Evans' star-spanning exploits. Buy Dreadnought and find out if the old girl can overcome her enemies today!

With Hitler's army rampaging across Europe, Winston Churchill ordered the creation of a special fighting force – the Commandos. These valiant men were volunteers drawn from the ranks of the British Army, formed into a Special Service Brigade and put through a rigorous but highly effective training programme. Over the course of World War II they would see action in every major theatre of operation and are

credited with numerous feats of gallantry during the D-Day landings. Although many units were disbanded after the war, the Royal Marine Commandos have maintained the standards of this elite fighting formation to the present day. Angus Konstam explores the history of the Commandos during their formative years, providing detailed descriptions of their training, weapons and equipment. Battle reports are accompanied by specially commissioned Osprey artwork and historical photographs, offering readers an in-depth analysis of some of the most famous fighting units in the British Army's history.

Bruno Alberti and Laurent Pradier have been collecting and writing about U S Marine Corps gear for more than a decade and, in that time, have contributed complete series of articles on the topic in the French Militaria Magazine. That sequence of articles is complete and the time has now come for a revised and expanded version of the results of their work as a single bound volume. The US Marine Corps has always enjoyed a special status among the American Armed Forces, as well as boasting distinctive uniforms and emblems. Hundreds of items of clothing, equipment and insignia are illustrated by reenactment photos of the famous 'leathernecks' in the form of large format color plates. Many period photos found in official American archives are also reproduced and help place the reenactment shots in the correct historical context. This new volume maintains the usual exceptional quality standards of Histoire & Collections: carefully-researched historical background, hundreds of concisely captioned color photographs of authentic artifacts and reenactment photographs taken in studio conditions to allow the reader to see the uniforms and equipment in the greatest clarity.

This is the story of a fighting force. In the words of the marines themselves, Robin Neillands, formerly of 45 Commando RM, describes what it is really like to wear the legendary green beret, in peace and in war. This vivid account charts the story of the Royal Marine Commandos from their bloody baptism on the beaches of Dieppe to the final yomp into Stanley at the end of the Falklands War in 1982.

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With a heritage dating back to the mid-seventeenth century, the Royal Marines have accrued a rich history of rituals, artefacts and material

culture that is consciously deployed in order to define and shape the institution both historically and going forward into an uncertain future. Drawing upon this heritage, Mark Burchell offers a unique method of understanding how the Royal Marines draw upon this material culture in order to help transform ordinary labour power to political agency comprising acts of controlled and sustained violence. He demonstrates how a barrage of objects and items - including uniforms, weapons, landscapes, architecture, personal kit, drills, rituals, and iconography - are deployed in order successfully to integrate the recruits into the Royal Marines' culture. It is argued that this material culture is a vital tool with which to imprint the military's own image on new recruits as they embark on a process of de-individualisation. Having been granted unprecedented access to the Commando Training Centre at Lympstone as an anthropologist, Burchell observed an intake of recruits throughout their demanding and exhausting year-long training programme. The resulting book presents to the academic community for the first time, a theorised in-depth account of a relatively unexplored social community and how its material culture creates and reifies new military identities. This path-breaking interdisciplinary analysis provides fresh understanding of the multiple processes of military enculturation through a meticulous revision of the relationships that exist between disciplinary and punishment practices; violence and masculinity; narratives and personhood; and will explore how these issues are understood by recruits through their practical application of body to physical labour, and by the cues of their surrounding material culture.

The Royal Marine Space Commandos Independently Published

A space fleet in shambles. A captain facing annihilation. There's never been a better time to play dirty... Lieutenant Commander Cohen is furious. After his admiral's questionable tactics decimate all but two of their ships, Lt. Com. Cohen needs to get back to New Bristol in a hurry. But with a damaged hyperspace function, the remaining vessels are sitting ducks for the hungry, ruthless enemy... To repair his ship, Cohen must engage a mysterious asteroid-based faction in a trade that could make or break the war. Carrying out insurgent missions on their ally's behalf, the entire plan rests on an impeccable battle strategy and just one tiny ship. Can Lt. Com. Cohen survive the day or will the Deathless finally get their revenge? Gunboat is the fourth book in the gritty Royal Marine Space Commandos military sci-fi series. If you like battle-hardened heroes, space fleet combat, and non-stop action, then you'll love Jon & James Evans' star-spanning exploits. Buy Gunboat to overcome a desperate space battle today!

**NATIONAL BESTSELLER** A dramatic insider account of the world of private military contracting. Armored cars, burner phones, top-notch weaponry and top-secret missions--this is the life of today's private military contractor. Like author Simon Chase, many PMCs were once the world's top military operatives, and since retiring from outfits like US Navy SEAL TEAM Six and the UK's Special Boat Service, they have devoted their lives to executing sensitive and hazardous missions overseas. Working at the request of U.S. and British government entities as well as for private clients, he takes on jobs that require "zero footprint," with no trace of their actions left behind. Chase delivers first-hand accounts of tracking Bin Laden in Afghanistan and being one of the first responders after the attack on the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi. We see his teams defuse terrorist bombs, guard dignitaries, and protect convoys traveling through perilous

territory--and then there are the really big jobs: top-secret "zero footprint" missions that include searching for High Value Targets and setting up arms shipping networks. The missions in Zero Footprint will shock readers, but so will the personal dangers. Chase and the men he works with operate without government backup or air rescue. If they die serving their country--they remain anonymous. There are no military honors or benefits. Contractors like Simon Chase are the unsung heroes in the war against terrorism, a strong, but largely invisible force--until now.

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