

# Supernotes

## COLLECTED SUPERNOTES

With his 'Collected Supernotes' author John O'Loughlin has combined, on a highly abstract basis, material derived from the independently published titles, Devil and God – The Omega Book, From Materialism to Idealism, Towards the Supernoumenon, Elemental Spectra, Critique of Post-Dialectical Idealism, Philosophical Truth, Veritas Philosophicus, and Last Judgements, which span the period 1985–93, with a view to bringing some kind of strict chronology to bear on a series of writings dubbed 'supernotational', to distinguish them from essays on the one hand and aphorisms on the other, thereby allowing him to establish a kind of intermediate position between essays and aphorisms in the interests of what became a gradual progression towards an enhanced sense of philosophical logic commensurate, so he believes, with 'Supertruth' and, ultimately, with a kind of plateau of aphoristic purism. – A Centretruths Editorial

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In the Cambodian hinterlands, a lone Western prisoner suffers through a hot, muddy, interminable sentence. Wasted by repeated torture, lack of sleep, malnutrition, and psychotropic drugs, he has been abandoned. His years of exemplary service to his government mean nothing. No one is coming for him. This is Agent Kasper, a man with a staggering résumé: commercial airline pilot, firearms expert, highly accomplished practitioner of several of the martial arts, a secret agent par excellence. It is this incredible competence that will be his undoing. While investigating Mafia money laundering in Phnom Penh, Kasper is approached by the CIA to track down the source of the so-called supernotes—illegal U.S. banknotes counterfeited so perfectly that they are undetectable, even by sophisticated machines—that are flooding Southeast Asia. With patience, skill, and courage, Kasper uncovers the explosive secret behind them and is badly burned by the truth. Meanwhile, back in Rome, a sharp, scrappy lawyer named Barbara Belli has been hired by Kasper's family to work for his release. She has contacts in the foreign ministry, and while officials make sweeping claims about moving heaven and earth, nothing happens. It's more than just creaking bureaucracy. Kasper has really pissed off the wrong people. Based on true events in the life of a former spy, Kasper's journey makes for a shocking and spellbinding page-turner of petty corruption, high-level betrayal, and state secrets so powerful that governments will protect them by any means.

## Counterfeit Lies

"Veteran undercover FBI agent Jake Kruse is investigating a smuggling ring in southern California when his assignment is cut short. A prominent criminal defense attorney wants to hire Jake on another kind of mission: to kill the daughter of a local crime boss. What began as a "contract killing" soon captures the attention of the CIA, the U.S. Secret Service, and high-level officials in Washington. The undercover agent is plunged into a deadly underworld of North Korean espionage, Hezbollah terror and the sinister deception Iran uses to acquire nuclear weapons. Caught in a web of international intrigue that goes to the top of the U.S. government, Kruse is forced to confront the ultimate moral quandary: doing what's right when everything seems wrong."

## Treasury's War

For more than a decade, America has been waging a new kind of war against the financial networks of rogue regimes, proliferators, terrorist groups, and criminal syndicates. Juan Zarate, a chief architect of modern financial warfare and a former senior Treasury and White House official, pulls back the curtain on this

shadowy world. In this gripping story, he explains in unprecedented detail how a small, dedicated group of officials redefined the Treasury's role and used its unique powers, relationships, and reputation to apply financial pressure against America's enemies. This group unleashed a new brand of financial power -- one that leveraged the private sector and banks directly to isolate rogues from the international financial system. By harnessing the forces of globalization and the centrality of the American market and dollar, Treasury developed a new way of undermining America's foes. Treasury and its tools soon became, and remain, critical in the most vital geopolitical challenges facing the United States, including terrorism, nuclear proliferation, and the regimes in Iran, North Korea, and Syria. This book is the definitive account, by an unparalleled expert, of how financial warfare has taken pride of place in American foreign policy and how America's competitors and enemies are now learning to use this type of power themselves. This is the unique story of the United States' financial war campaigns and the contours and uses of financial power, and of the warfare to come.

## **North Korea : illicit activity funding the regime : hearing**

Secret Service Agent Maria \"Goose\" di Guzman is assigned to Mishkawa Island on a goose-chase of a case when she encounters a greater mystery in sexy park ranger Rush Guthrie.

## **Money Shot**

Fast, inexpensive, and easy-to-use, near-infrared (NIR) spectroscopy can be used to analyze small samples of virtually any composition. The Handbook of Near Infrared Analysis, Third Edition explains how to perform accurate as well as time- and cost-effective analyses across a growing spectrum of disciplines. Presenting nearly 50% new and re

## **Handbook of Near-Infrared Analysis**

Dive into the gripping world of international economics through American lawyer, investment banker, media commentator, and author, James G. Rickards's expertise and thought-provoking insights. From collapsed paper currencies and hidden agendas of sovereign wealth funds to the very real threats of national security, James G. Rickards scrutinizes the history and disastrous outcomes of currency wars, shedding light on the potential crisis that looms over the United States and the world. Rickards dissects failed paradigms and conventional theories while offering a course of action to steer away from impending disaster.

## **Currency Wars**

Charlie is a story of a man who loses everything, including his life, but has been given a second chance at life love and living. A man with a weak heart who gives all. Dirty Money is an international money-intrigue drama. The character in the story tries to secretly meet government officials and get them all to print money to eradicate world debt. Of course, someone else doesn't want that. Lachlan Campbell is a love story with mythological twists to it. Set in the Crusades years, a young Scottish soldier finds love on his return journey and discovers amazing information about his father's family sword from the most unlikely source. Abducted is an alien-abduction story with a twist. Just aliens trying to learn about us before they make official contact. Some comedy moments and a look at how you would describe us to them. Old Ralph is a short love story. Set in the time of Charles the First in England. The characters hide a man on the run from the church and wealthy families. So there you have it. Romance, death, and living again, international financial intrigue, mythology in old England, alien abduction, and love. Hope you enjoy these short tales. Buckle up though: Algoth and Dragons are coming soon. And don't even think about messing with the dragon bonded. Dragon kindred is formidable.

## 5 Short Stories

Lyla Fox knows she has a reputation at the SNAP Agency for impulsivity, but when she receives a threatening letter from a man she helped put in prison, she can't stop herself from going all in to find out why he's coming after her. Unfortunately, she's going to need the help of the one person who questions her reckless choices more than anyone else. Explosives and weapons specialist Nicolás Garcia agrees to help Lyla in order to keep her safe, but her recklessness continues to be a major concern, especially when her investigation into a conspiracy puts a target on her back. Dealing with bombs is dangerous. Working with Lyla is proving to be just as treacherous--to both the mission and his heart. Natalie Walters closes out her SNAP Agency series with a bang with this nail-biting story of a deadly government conspiracy, an unlikely couple, and an ending that will leave you breathless.

### Blind Trust (The SNAP Agency Book #3)

2003: The U.S.-led invasion of Iraq has taken place. The hunt for Saddam Hussein and the search for his weapons of mass destruction is underway. Meanwhile in North Korea, a nuclear research scientist wants to defect. The \"Org\" is tasked to bring her out. .... If possible ....

### Coin & Currency Issues Facing Congress: Can We Still Afford Money?: Congressional Hearing

Underground Economies and Illegal Imports: Business and Legal Strategies to Address Illegal Commerce is a unique resource for lawyers and their clients facing the chaotic landscape of illegal trade in the black and gray markets, where legal remedies are often unobtainable or impracticable. Donald E. deKieffer-a practitioner who has represented more than 60 Fortune 500 companies both in the US and abroad-provides clear descriptions of how international supply and distribution chains are attacked by clever and not-so-subtle thieves around the world. This book is also a helpful source of examples and instructions on how to prepare for these attacks, and the best remedies when they do occur. Underground Economies and Illegal Imports: Business and Legal Strategies to Address Illegal Commerce is a one-of-a-kind guide to the underside of international trade for businesses, law enforcement and policy-makers. The illicit dealers in legitimate (or not-so-legitimate) merchandise are often linked with transnational criminal elements and even terrorists. This book assists international traders in avoiding these problems, or ameliorating any effects.

### Succubus

Transnational organized crime crosses borders, challenges States, exploits individuals, pursues profit, wrecks economies, destroys civil society, and ultimately weakens global democracy. It is a phenomenon that is all too often misunderstood and misrepresented. This handbook attempts to redress the balance, by providing a fresh and interdisciplinary overview of the problems which transnational organized crime represents. The innovative aspect of this handbook is not only its interdisciplinary nature but also the dialogue between international academics and practitioners that it presents. The handbook seeks to provide the definitive overview of transnational organized crime, including contributions from leading international scholars as well as emerging researchers. The work starts by examining the origins, concepts, contagion and evolution of transnational organized crime and then moves on to discuss the impact, governance and reactions of governments and their agencies, before looking to the future of transnational organized crime, and how the State will seek to respond. Providing a cutting edge survey of the discipline, this work will be essential reading for all those with an interest in this dangerous phenomenon.

### Underground Economies and Illegal Imports

At 6'4\" and 375 pounds, Jack Garcia looked the part of a mobster, and he played his part so perfectly that his Mafia bosses never suspected he was an undercover agent for the FBI. 'Big Jack Falcone', as he was known

inside La Cosa Nostra, learned all the inside dirt about the Gambino organized crime syndicate and its illegal activities - from extortion and loan-sharking to assault and murder. The result was a string of busts and a quarter of a million dollar contract put out on his life. A fascinating inside look at the struggle between law enforcement and organized crime, **MAKING JACK FALCONE** sheds new light on two organizational cultures that continue to exert an unparalleled grip on our imagination.

## **Routledge Handbook of Transnational Organized Crime**

A collection of news and feature articles from the Bureau's public website.

### **Making Jack Falcone**

Hearing on the problem of counterfeiting of U.S. currency abroad and its implications. Legislation making international counterfeiting of U.S. currency a Federal offense was only passed in 1994. Counterfeiting is one part of a double problem, the other being money-laundering; the two are usually found together. Witnesses include Theodore Allison, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Jack Blum; Eljay Bowron, Director, U.S. Secret Service; Institute for National Strategic Studies; Dept. of the Treasury; American Numismatic Assoc; Robert Sims, State Dept.; and Kenneth Timmerman, Middle East Data Project.

### **The Counterfeiting of U.S. Currency Abroad**

Many of the year's most notable accomplishments are chronicled in this text -- major cyber operations, large-scale health care fraud and gang takedowns, and historic Mafia busts. And most notably, in less than two months, two of the FBI's Ten Most Wanted Fugitives were removed from the list. On May 1, Osama bin Laden was killed by U.S. forces, not only closing a chapter in the 9/11 terror attacks but yielding valuable new intelligence in the global effort to end violent extremism. And on June 23, notorious Boston mobster James \"Whitey\" Bulger was captured by FBI agents in California following a far-reaching public information campaign.

### **2011 The FBI Story**

This book provides full details of contemporary economic and political developments in North Korea since late 2005, continuing the overview of developments which were covered in the author's *North Korea: A Guide to Economic and Political Developments* (Routledge 2006). Key topics covered include: the succession; family visits; human rights; nuclear capability and intentions; recent initiatives in international relations, and relations with the United States; and adverse economic and social conditions. Overall, the book demonstrates the degree to which North Korea's international position is changing. This book provides a comprehensive overview of the current political and economic situation in North Korea today, and is an important resource for all those interested in this country's recent development.

### **Counterfeiting of U. S. Currency Abroad**

It is October of 2006. The Avian flu continues to visit itself upon Asia. In June of this year, WHO scientists were forced to admit that an Asian family who died of the disease in Late May is proof that H5N1 has mutated, and is now capable of being transmitted human-to-human. If that wasn't enough of a threat, former NYPD First Class Detective Edward Augustus Fox, now of the Hong Kong Police who we met last year in the serial homicide case code-named Hongse Spider, returns from a terrorism seminar presented by the FBI Academy in the US, to find Hong Kong under siege. Fox, because his work in reducing Hong Kong's burgeoning homicide rate, has been promoted from Homicide Lieutenant to Chief Inspector in-charge of combating all crimes against citizens. The new threats to Hong Kong consist of unexplained incidents of fatal radiation poisoning; a North Korean nuclear missile being smuggled through the former crown colony into

China; armed robberies being pulled to steal Avian flu vaccine; the world's best counterfeit US\$100 bills meant to destabilize the economy being dumped on the streets; and the emergence of a new plot by China to sabotage the 2008 Olympic Summer Games in Beijing, called Project 119.

## **Coin and Currency Issues Facing Congress**

A single mom finds herself taking over a private investigation business in coastal Canada in this involving crime thriller. A young widowed mother, Wilhelmina Anne Brown is just beginning to find some stability in her new home in Prince Edward Island when she is forced to deal with the death of her beloved uncle, Bill Darby. Darby, an Ontario cop turned Charlottetown private investigator, has left Anne and her fourteen-year-old daughter a small savings account and his business, where Anne has worked as office manager for six years. Anne has faced hardships in her life before, but she's about to begin a whole new kind of struggle—to protect her family, find justice for her clients, and forge a new life for herself in this picturesque place that has become her new home.

## **2011 the FBI Story**

This book is about the most precious piece of paper we know, about bank-notes. Modern life would be unthinkable without them. Yet, the general public is kept very much in the dark about how they are made or who makes them. It is rarely known, for example, that despite America's technical Prowess all dollar bills are printed exclusively on German high-security printing presses using secret Swiss special inks, or that the phony 100 dollar bills, the so-called supernotes may well be printed in a top-secret printing works located just north of the white House and run by the CIA - although the US government is blaming the rogue government of North Korea for counterfeiting these bills. This book is finally lifting the veil on an industry used to absolute secrecy. It recounts the stories of a British banknote printer who, fearing the loss of his customer, informed the Egyptian secret service that the securities printing machinery the Egyptians were about to buy was of Jewish origin; of a private printer who convinced the Polish central bank that it should destroy a complete series of new, perfect banknotes which had been printed by a competitor, or of an Argentinean high-security printer who came to print genuine fake bank-notes for Zaire and Bahrain as a result of two sting operations, which smell of the Belgian and French secret service. Money makers, by offering a detailed view of the banknote industry and its modus operandi, removes the industry's carefully imposed shroud of secrecy. This book has been researched over a five-year period in Europe, the USA, and Latin America. The book is based exclusively on personal Interviews and confidential material normally not accessible to outsiders. There were attempts to stop this research project. Klaus W. Bender has peered behind the scenes of the secret and exclusive world of the money makers. - Financial Times Deutschland, 2004 The errors and pitfalls at the birth of the euro make Bender's research so unnerving. - Süddeutsche Zeitung, 2004 Bender does not mince his words when he describes abuses - and there are lots of them. - Neue Zürcher Zeitung, 2004

## **Contemporary North Korea**

This open access book serves as a comprehensive guide to digital writing technology, featuring contributions from over 20 renowned researchers from various disciplines around the world. The book is designed to provide a state-of-the-art synthesis of the developments in digital writing in higher education, making it an essential resource for anyone interested in this rapidly evolving field. In the first part of the book, the authors offer an overview of the impact that digitalization has had on writing, covering more than 25 key technological innovations and their implications for writing practices and pedagogical uses. Drawing on these chapters, the second part of the book explores the theoretical underpinnings of digital writing technology such as writing and learning, writing quality, formulation support, writing and thinking, and writing processes. The authors provide insightful analysis on the impact of these developments and offer valuable insights into the future of writing. Overall, this book provides a cohesive and consistent theoretical view of the new realities of digital writing, complementing existing literature on the digitalization of writing.

It is an essential resource for scholars, educators, and practitioners interested in the intersection of technology and writing.

## **Project 119**

It's the great untold story of the war on terror. Taking advantage of gaping holes in America's defenses, terrorist organizations and enemy nations like Communist China, North Korea, Russia, and Cuba—not to mention some so-called friends—are infiltrating the U.S. government to steal our most vital secrets and use them against us. And most astonishing of all, our leaders are letting it happen. In the explosive new book *Enemies*, acclaimed investigative reporter Bill Gertz uncovers the truth about this grave threat to our national security and America's harrowing failures to address the danger. Gertz's unrivaled access to the U.S. intelligence and defense communities allows him to tell the whole shocking story, based on previously unpublished classified documents and dozens of exclusive interviews with senior government and intelligence officials. He takes us deep inside the dark world of intelligence and counterintelligence—a world filled with lies and betrayal, spies sleeping with enemy spies, and moles burrowing within the FBI, the CIA, the Pentagon, and even the White House. *Enemies* stunningly reveals:

- The untold story of one of the most damaging enemy spy penetrations in U.S. history—and how the FBI bungled the investigation
- How Communist China's intelligence and influence operations may have reached the highest levels of the U.S. government
- Why Russia has as many spies in America today as it did at the height of the Cold War
- How al-Qaeda and other terrorist groups use official identification, uniforms, and vehicles to infiltrate secure areas and carry out attacks
- How some thirty-five terrorist groups are targeting the United States through espionage
- A startling account of the many enemy spies the U.S. has let get away
- How a Cuban mole operated high up in the Pentagon for sixteen years
- The gross ineptness that led U.S. officials to hound an innocent man while the real mole operated right under their noses
- Why aggressive counterintelligence represents the only real defense against terrorists and enemy spies—and why the U.S. intelligence bureaucracy resists it

Delivering the kind of shocking new information that led *Washington Monthly* magazine to declare him "legendary among national security reporters," Bill Gertz opens our eyes as never before to deadly threats and counterintelligence failures that place every American at risk. America's enemies, including terrorist organizations, are stealing our most vital secrets to use against us—and the U.S. government makes it shockingly easy for them to do so. Filled with headline-making revelations from acclaimed reporter Bill Gertz, *Enemies* reveals the frightening untold story of the War on Terror. Also available as an eBook

## **The Reluctant Detective**

Counterfeit money. Counterfeit lives. Attorney David Cole has moved from the big city to a small Santa Barbara law firm. He wants to slow down and work on his marriage, and on the temptations that beset it. But his move doesn't result in the simple, slow-paced practice he had imagined. When David's client, the reclusive millionaire Lawrence Hawthorne, is shot to death while lying in his hospital bed, David determines to find the killer. Twin mysteries haunt him: who would kill a man on his deathbed? And where did Hawthorne get his millions? With the help of his beautiful and irrepressible wife, Penny, David follows a trail that leads through Swiss banks to Syrian terrorists and an international counterfeiting scheme that could endanger U.S. security. And more importantly, it threatens Penny's life...and David's integrity.

## **Moneymakers**

During an attack on a terrorist group in Port Sudan, Lieutenant Blake Murdock and his SEAL team uncover three million dollars in counterfeit currency. When officials link the money to an economic terrorism plot on the U.S. currency system, there is only one solution—infiltrate and terminate. Murdock and his SEALs have their marching orders: destroy the Lebanese warehouse that's producing the fake cash. But there's one minor problem. The warehouse is teeming with well-armed terrorists who would like nothing more than to take on Navy SEALs.

## Digital Writing Technologies in Higher Education

A currency is a unit of exchange, facilitating the transfer of goods and services. It is one form of money, where money is anything that serves as a medium of exchange, a store of value, and a standard of value. A currency zone is a country or region in which a specific currency is the dominant medium of exchange. To facilitate trade between currency zones, there are exchange rates, which are the prices at which currencies (and the goods and services of individual currency zones) can be exchanged against each other. Currencies can be classified as either floating currencies or fixed currencies based on their exchange rate regime. In common usage, currency sometimes refers to only paper money, as in coins and currency, but this is misleading. Coins and paper money are both forms of currency. In most cases, each country has monopoly control over the supply and production of its own currency. Member countries of the European Union's Economic and Monetary Union are a notable exception to this rule, as they have c

## Enemies

Will the sun set on the greatest currency in the history of the world? For decades the dollar has been the undisputed champ. It's not only the currency of America but much of the world as well, the fuel of global prosperity. As the superengine of the world's only superpower, it's accepted everywhere. When an Asian company trades with South America, those transactions are done in dollars, the currency of international business. But for how much longer? Economists fear America is digging a hole with an economy based on massive borrowing and huge deficits that cloud the dollar's future. Will the buck be eclipsed by the euro or even China's renminbi? Should Americans worry when the value of the mighty U.S. dollar sinks to par with the Canadian "loonie"? Craig Karmin's in-depth "biography" of the dollar explores these issues. It also examines the green-back's history, allure, and unique role as a catalyst for globalization, and how the American buck became so almighty that \$ became perhaps the most powerful symbol on earth. Biography of the Dollar explores every aspect of its subject: the power of the Federal Reserve, the inner sanctums of foreign central banks that stockpile the currency, and the little-known circles of foreign exchange traders that determine a currency's worth. It traces the dollar's ascendancy, including one incredibly important duck-hunting trip and the world-changing Bretton Woods Conference. With its watermark, color-shifting inks, and a presidential portrait that glows under ultraviolet light, the dollar has obsessed foreign governments, some of which have tried to counterfeit it. Even Saddam Hussein, who insisted on being paid in euros for oil, had \$750,000 in hundred-dollar bills when captured. Yet if a worldwide currency has enabled a global economy to flourish, it's also allowed the United States to owe unbelievable, shocking amounts of money—paying hundreds of millions of dollars every single day just in interest on foreign debt; that's raised concerns that the dollar standard may not be sustainable. Any threat to the dollar's privileged status would do much more than hurt American pride. It would mean U.S. companies and citizens would not be able to borrow at the low rates they have become accustomed to. The dollar's demise would impact the rest of the world, too, boosting the costs of trade and investment if no other currency was able to play the same crucial role. Ultimately the dollar system may weaken, but it should endure—a while longer, at least; it's in few people's interest to see it fail, and there is still no credible alternative. Biography of the Dollar is must reading for anyone who wants to understand what truly makes the world go 'round—and whether it will continue to spin the way we want it to.

## Counterfeit

Notorious New Jersey is the definitive guide to murder, mayhem, the mob, and corruption in the Garden State. With tabloid punch, Jon Blackwell tells riveting accounts of Alexander Hamilton falling mortally wounded on the dueling grounds of Weehawken; Dutch Schultz getting pumped full of lead in the men's room of the Palace Chop House in Newark; and a gang of Islamic terrorists in Jersey City mixing the witch's brew of explosives that became the first bomb to rock the World Trade Center. Along with these dramatic stories are tales of lesser-known oddities, such as the nineteenth-century murderer whose skin was turned into leather souvenirs, and the state senator from Jersey City who faked his death in a scuba accident in the 1970s

in an effort to avoid prison. Blackwell also sheds light on some historical whodunits—was Bruno Hauptmann really guilty of kidnapping the Lindbergh baby? Who was behind the anthrax attacks of 2001? Not forgotten either are notorious characters who may actually be innocent, including Rubin “Hurricane” Carter, and those who have never been convicted of wrongdoing although they left office in scandal, including Robert Torricelli and James McGreevey. Through 100 historic true-crime tales that span over 300 years of history, Blackwell shows readers a side of New Jersey that would make even the Sopranos shudder.

## **Seal Team Seven 04: Direct Action**

Antonio Giangrande, orgoglioso di essere diverso. Si nasce senza volerlo. Si muore senza volerlo. Si vive una vita di prese per il culo. Noi siamo quello che altri hanno voluto che diventassimo. Facciamo in modo che diventiamo quello che noi avremmo (rafforzativo di saremmo) voluto diventare. Rappresentare con verità storica, anche scomoda ai potenti di turno, la realtà contemporanea, rapportandola al passato e proiettandola al futuro. Per non reiterare vecchi errori. Perché la massa dimentica o non conosce. Denuncio i difetti e caldeggio i pregi italiani. Perché non abbiamo orgoglio e dignità per migliorarci e perché non sappiamo apprezzare, tutelare e promuovere quello che abbiamo ereditato dai nostri avi. Insomma, siamo bravi a farci del male e qualcuno deve pur essere diverso!

## **Currency Interventions, Fluctuations and Economic Issues**

Explores the theory that America's enemies were responsible for the global financial crisis that began in 2008, claiming that a foreign agenda of economic terrorism successfully crippled the United States' economy.

## **The New York Times Magazine**

Money has the power to make nations and fuel wars. It is both the subject of diplomacy and the tool of those seeking to overthrow hostile regimes at home and abroad. Germany's hyperinflation following the First World War has entered the public consciousness as an extreme example of what can happen to a currency in conflict. What is not widely known is that it is by no means the worst case of war-induced hyperinflation. Hostile Money looks at the impact of war and revolution on national currencies – from Rome's civil war in the first century BC to the twenty-first-century invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq by American-led forces and the economic sanctions and cyberwarfare of today.

## **Biography of the Dollar**

The world's quietest weapon of mass destruction is 75 percent cotton, 25 percent linen, and 100 percent fake. The amount of counterfeit money in circulation is unknown, but hundreds of millions of bogus U.S. dollars are seized each year. Mass counterfeiting is not just organized crime, it can also be aggressive economic warfare waged by states to destabilize enemy governments, and it is reaching epidemic proportions. Forgery provides cash for states like North Korea and Iran in their pursuit of weapons—a fact publicly unacknowledged, even as fears grow over their nuclear ambitions. In *Currency Wars*, John Cooley maps this dirty matrix of war and politics, sabotage and subterfuge, with new evidence and recently disclosed documents. With sound grounding in current affairs and history alike, Cooley demonstrates that the machinations of today's states echo attempts in antiquity by Persia, Greece, Rome, and China to use and defend against forgery and currency debasement. Counterfeiting remained a high crime throughout medieval and Renaissance Europe; played a key role in the American and French Revolutions; and was used by the British, Germans, and Soviets in two World Wars. Bad money mixed with post-war dictatorships, and was a tool of the KGB, CIA, Stasi, Hezbollah, the Medellín cartels, and the Chinese Triads. This compelling, accessible account reveals grand-scale forgery's corrosive implications for global economic, political, and social stability. It is essential reading for anyone concerned with the complications and consequences of increasing and inevitable globalization, and it serves as a provocative reminder of the ways in which human greed and fear act as catalysts in world economics.

## Notorious New Jersey

THE GREAT SUCCESSOR details the realities of the succession of Kim Jong-Un as leader of the DPRK, with a rare glimpse at the face of leadership the North. WHERE THERE IS TYRANNY THERE IS RESISTANCE! THE 3RD GENERATION SUCCESSOR WILL NOT ESCAPE THE RESISTANCE OF HIS PEOPLE! THE GREAT SUCCESSOR details the realities of the recent succession of Kim Jong-Un as leader of the DPRK. From propaganda engines to “trusted” news sources, many of us will never know what really goes on in the Dark Kingdom. THE GREAT SUCCESSOR provides a rare glimpse at the new face (and belly) of leadership in the North. What is in store for the future of North Korea? Only time will tell, but The Great Successor provides some insight to the background of the young new leader of the most secretive dictatorship on earth. At only thirty, Kim Jong Eun could have a long future as a head of state, he could tow the line of his father’s Military First Philosophy to the bitter end (and invariable ruin of the state) or he could herald a new beginning of reform (in whatever form it will take), and lead his people out of the dark... THE GREAT SUCCESSOR hopes to answer: Who is this third Kim? Where did he come from? Should we be afraid of him? Will he make an effort to transform? Make amends, become friends? Or will he strike, sudden like a storm? Is he some savior, here to save the people from fear and famine? Will he reexamine Military First And is he versed in the ways of transforming A country, torn and tattered To a place that mattered to its people? Or at worst, will he in his thirst for power Build more useless towers, and weapons to reach At zero hour, the brothers to the south, the allies, the others To kill men, children and mothers? Is it in his intentions to attack? Or will he bring back the idea of utopia true? We beseech you!

## L'ITALIA DEI MISTERI SECONDA PARTE

“A must-read...It reveals important truths.” —Vint Cerf, Internet pioneer “One of the finest books on information security published so far in this century—easily accessible, tightly argued, superbly well-sourced, intimidatingly perceptive.” —Thomas Rid, author of Active Measures Cyber attacks are less destructive than we thought they would be—but they are more pervasive, and much harder to prevent. With little fanfare and only occasional scrutiny, they target our banks, our tech and health systems, our democracy, and impact every aspect of our lives. Packed with insider information based on interviews with key players in defense and cyber security, declassified files, and forensic analysis of company reports, The Hacker and the State explores the real geopolitical competition of the digital age and reveals little-known details of how China, Russia, North Korea, Britain, and the United States hack one another in a relentless struggle for dominance. It moves deftly from underseas cable taps to underground nuclear sabotage, from blackouts and data breaches to election interference and billion-dollar heists. Ben Buchanan brings to life this continuous cycle of espionage and deception, attack and counterattack, destabilization and retaliation. Quietly, insidiously, cyber attacks have reshaped our national-security priorities and transformed spycraft and statecraft. The United States and its allies can no longer dominate the way they once did. From now on, the nation that hacks best will triumph. “A helpful reminder...of the sheer diligence and seriousness of purpose exhibited by the Russians in their mission.” —Jonathan Freedland, New York Review of Books “The best examination I have read of how increasingly dramatic developments in cyberspace are defining the ‘new normal’ of geopolitics in the digital age.” —General David Petraeus, former Director of the CIA “Fundamentally changes the way we think about cyber operations from ‘war’ to something of significant import that is not war—what Buchanan refers to as ‘real geopolitical competition.’” —Richard Harknett, former Scholar-in-Residence at United States Cyber Command

## Secret Weapon

George Washington may never have told a lie, but he may be the only person—our history is littered with liars, deceivers, fraudsters, counterfeiters, and unfaithful lovers. The Encyclopaedia of Liars and Deceivers gathers 150 of them, each entry telling the intriguing tale of the liar’s motives and the people who fell for the lies. To collect these stories of deceit, Roelf Bolt travels from ancient times to the present day, documenting a huge assortment of legerdemain: infamous quacks, fraudulent scientists, crooks who committed

“pseudocides” by faking their own deaths, and forgers of artworks, design objects, archaeological finds, and documents. From false royal claims, fake dragon’s eggs, and bogus perpetual motion machines to rare books, mermaid skeletons, and Stradivari violins, Bolt reveals that almost everything has been forged or faked by someone at some point in history. His short, accessible narratives in each entry offer biographies and general observations on specific categories of deceit, and Bolt captures an impressive number of famous figures—including Albert Einstein, Cicero, Ptolemy, Ernest Hemingway, François Mitterand, and Marco Polo—as well as people who would have remained anonymous had their duplicity not come to light. Funny, shocking, and even awe-inspiring, the stories of deception in this catalog of shame make *The Encyclopaedia of Liars and Deceivers* the perfect gift for all those who enjoy a good tall tale—and those people who like to tell them.

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