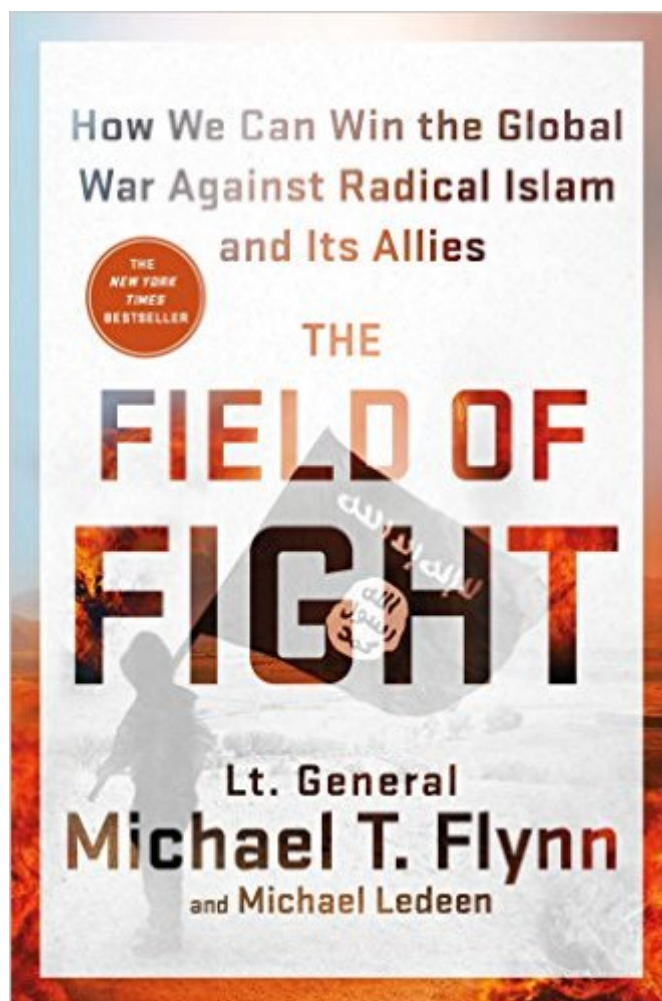


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The Field Of Fight: How We Can Win The Global War Against Radical Islam And Its Allies



Synopsis

The Instant New York Times Bestseller! Ten years ago we found evidence that al-Qaeda was far more organized and adept than we had previously given them credit for. It took us nearly that long to locate and execute their leader, Osama bin Laden, and we are far from finished. Al-Qaeda has morphed into a much more dangerous, menacing threat: ISIS. A war is being waged against us by radical Islamists, and, as current events demonstrate, they are only getting stronger. This book aims to inform the American people of the grave danger we face in the war on terror—and will continue to face—until our government takes decisive action against the terrorists that want nothing more than to destroy us and our way of life. Lt. General Michael T. Flynn spent more than 33 years in Army intelligence, working closely with Generals Stanley McChrystal and David Petraeus, Admiral Mike Mullen, Director of National Intelligence James Clapper, and other policy, defense and intelligence community, and war-fighting leaders. From coordinating on-the-ground operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere, to building reliable intelligence networks, to preparing strategic plans for fighting terrorism, Flynn has been a firsthand witness to government screw-ups, smokescreens, and censored information that our leaders don't want us to know. A year before he was scheduled to retire, Flynn was sacked as Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency for, among other things, telling a Congressional Committee that the American people are in more danger than we were just a few years ago. Why? The Field of Fight succinctly lays out why we have failed to stop terrorist groups from growing, and what we must do to stop them. The core message is that if you understand your enemies, it's a lot easier to defeat them—but because our government has concealed the actions of terrorists like bin Laden and groups like ISIS, and the role of Iran in the rise of radical Islam, we don't fully understand the enormity of the threat they pose against us. A call to action that is sensible, informed, and original, The Field of Fight asserts that we must find a way to not only fight better, but to win.

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Customer Reviews

About 10 years ago, I was sitting in an Irregular Warfare planning meeting focused on improving military and government intelligence. Lt. General Flynn was piped in through video conference, and he shared from his location in the Middle East a new plan called Fixing Intelligence. It resonated well with all of us Intelligence staff. We got it. It was a no-brainer. Now he needed to sell it to the rest of the military. Today, Flynn is continuing the fight. He knew how to fix intelligence but had to fix something else first--Perspective. In his book, *The Field of Fight*, Lt. General Flynn lays out what he believes is required to win a war against Radical Islam and its Allies. This book is not about bashing Islam or anyone that may point fingers at. It is directed to those, and the movements that support, killings and mutilations of those who have differing beliefs and those who support, supply, and sustain such heinous acts. First of all, this book is not a fear mongering right-wing play book about hate, political incorrectness, and far-reaching conspiracies. I, like Flynn come from the Intelligence Community. I agree with the items that he presents as being real threats to national security and global stability based on what I know and have seen as an intelligence advisor and as a regional expert in many topics he covers. This isn't an us vs. them view, it is a sharing of what is going on around us from the groups committing or inspiring atrocities (Paris, Syria, Orlando, etc.) to our own internal vulnerabilities intensified by politicians, bureaucracy, bottle necks and stovepipes, that will weaken our strategy and our ability to respond now and in the future without change.

Reviewer, Jason Criss Howk, advanced copy reader, U.S. Army Retired FAO, Middle East and South Asia Scholar's readable and actually puts things into everyday language, not political doublespeak, so the American people can understand the problem. It explains the issues and offers solutions. Something scholarly books almost never do. This is an actual policy for identifying and dismantling the global network of violent radical Islamists and their supporters. January 1st, 2015: President Al-Sisi of Egypt talks to religious leaders of this country and gives a passionate request

for them to help renew the vision of Islam. A call to stand up against violent radical Islamist ideologyâ |a way of thinking that uses a handful of ideas from the Quran and distorts the objectives of Islam; an ideology that has crept into too many dark corners of the world.â œl am referring here to the religious clerics. We have to think hard about what we are facingâ ”â |Itâ™s inconceivable that the thinking we hold most sacredâ |be a source of anxiety, danger, killing and destruction for the rest of the world. Impossible!That thinkingâ ”I am not saying â œreligionâ • but â œthinkingâ •â ”that corpus of texts and ideas â |is antagonizing the entire world. Itâ™s antagonizing the entire world!! am tellingâ | You need to step outside of yourselves to be able to observe it and reflect on it from a more enlightened perspective.I say and repeat again that we are in need of a religious revolution. You, imams, are responsible before Allah. The entire world, I say it again, the entire world is waiting for your next moveâ | because this umma [Muslim World] is being torn, it is being destroyed, it is being lostâ ”and it is being lost by our own hands.

Thank you LTG Flynn and Dr. Ledeen for writing this book. It should be required reading for all policy advisors. The threat is real. Our will to win is not. At least not under the present administration. Our borders are open. We are bringing Muslim â œrefugeesâ • into our country and even if only a small number are sleepers we are putting ourselves in great danger. The obvious connection between Narco-Terrorists and Islamic terrorists is so obvious yet the present administration is ignoring it. Or worse.In the mid 80â™s I worked with an Afghan group. It was a different time and we were fighting a different enemy but I did have the opportunity to meet and work with some of the Mujahedeen. At that time I was considered a â œfriendâ • but even at that I was aware of the goals of some of their leaders. It was not only to throw the Russians out of their country even then it was the imposition of Sharia law. They were always polite and outwardly respectful but I could feel the undercurrent. The one that stands out in my mind as an exception was Haji Abdul Latif â œthe Lion of Kandaharâ • a devout Muslim and a friend of the US, these two things are not mutually exclusive, I understand he was later killed by the Taliban. You are correct, General Flynn, when you say we must have the people like Latif on our team. The one thing I did learn was their respect for power. Their weapon was their prized possession and they always showed it to impress you (I do not know if this is true today but remember we were friends and allies). If you want their respect they must believe you have the will to fight and win.One of the big Ahaaaâ™s from the book was the quote from Khomeini â œâ |â |.I say let the land burn. I say let it go up in smoke, provided Islam emerges triumphant in the rest of the world.

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