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 **Military Virtues**

**Edited by Michael Skerker, US Naval Academy, David Whetham, King’s College London at the Joint Services Command and Staff College and Don Carrick**

*…Anyone who cares about the ethos of our unique Armed Services will read this pioneering book with interest and profit.*

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Captain James Caroland, Chair, Cyber Science Department, U.S. Naval Academy and U.S. Navy Cyber Warfare Engineer

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**About the Book**

Cyber technology gives states the ability to accomplish effects that once required kinetic action. These effects can now be achieved with cyber means in a manner that is covert, deniable, cheap, and technologically feasible for many governments. In some cases, cyber means are morally preferable to conventional military operations, but in other cases, cyber’s unique qualities can lead to greater mischief than governments would have chanced using kinetic means. This volume addresses the applicability of traditional military ethics to cyber operations, jus ad vim (an emerging sub-field governing grey zone or soft war operations), the rights of the targets of cyber operations, cyber sabotage, cyber surveillance, phase zero operations, psychological operations, artificial intelligence, and algorithmic ethics. Uniquely, it includes a number of cyber incidents that do not currently exist as case studies and have not received much public attention. This volume has been designed to work as a handbook for military and security professionals involved in cyber training, teaching, and application.

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…access to a new stock of cyber and fully autonomous weapons, both kinetic and non-kinetic, and the ethical implications of using these weapons must be understood in order to provide proper purpose, motivation, and direction.  ***Colonel Scott M. Virgil, Unites States Military Academy at West Point.***

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*Military Space Ethics is a crucial and timely addition to the field of professional military ethics. It is incumbent on military professionals to ‘think forward’ concerning the ethical application of emerging technology, as well as the ethical use of force in this new domain. With contributions from leading scholars and practitioners from across the globe, Military Space Ethics will serve as a useful resource for military leaders, policy makers, and anyone interested in what the future of warfare may bring.*

*Dr Rebecca Johnson, Marine Corps University, Quantico*

*The space domain is undergoing disruptive changes to the technologies brought to bear on a rapidly growing range of challenges by a rapidly growing cast of actors. It is very reasonable to assert “not if but when” as we consider the possibilities. Unfortunately, as the opportunities mount so do the risks, including the risk of “contested, congested and competitive” turning into conflict. At such a time, it is crucial for ongoing safe and secure access to space-based services that we actively consider the underpinning ethics –****should****we engage in a particular activity, not just****can****we achieve it technologically or legally? These are questions for both the seasoned space-faring nations and ambitious and agile newcomers alike. The excellent collection of thinking and analysis provided in this new book could not be more timely.*

*Professor Russell Boyce FAIAA, Chair for Intelligence Space Systems, Director, UNSW Canberra Space*

**About the Book**

As space develops as a potential war fighting domain, so does the need to have ethical scrutiny. Since the 1960s there have been core space treaties that together with national laws, provide a clear framework for both military and civilian space activities, yet ethical questions still exist around space warfare. Is it appropriate to respond kinetically on earth to a threat in space? Does just war theory apply in space and does the remoteness of space lower or raise the threshold for armed conflicts? Will the creation of new space forces start a space arms race? New combat environments also create a number of new challenges, including whether future war in space will be conducted by robots or space marines, and how the dual-use nature of satellites will impact on their permissibility as targets in any future conflict. As technologies become more widespread, space may be threatened by the likes of non-state groups and rogue states, leading to a need to inhibit their movement in space. In space, differences are magnified; resources are especially scarce, risks are multiplied, and specialized medical care is a world away. The physical and psychological distance between combatants in modern warfare applies also to space and the impacts of remote warfare need to be considered including the potential for moral injury and psychological trauma. With greater military power comes greater responsibility and this responsibility is carried out at the end of a chain of decisions and technologies. This book’s relevancy will not be lost on students at service academies and staff colleges in preparing them for the task of emphasizing ethical responsibility in space to those whom they will lead in the future.

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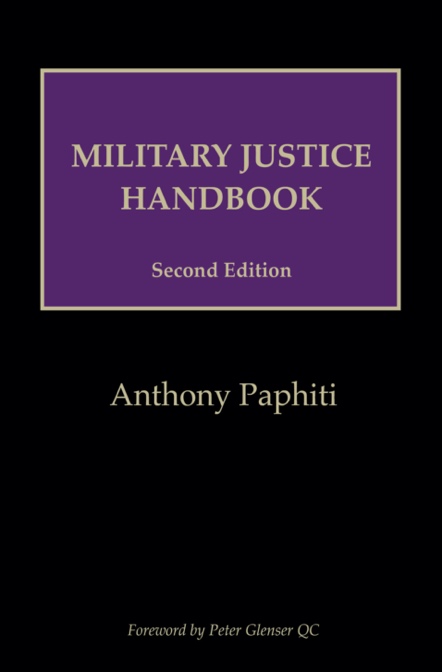
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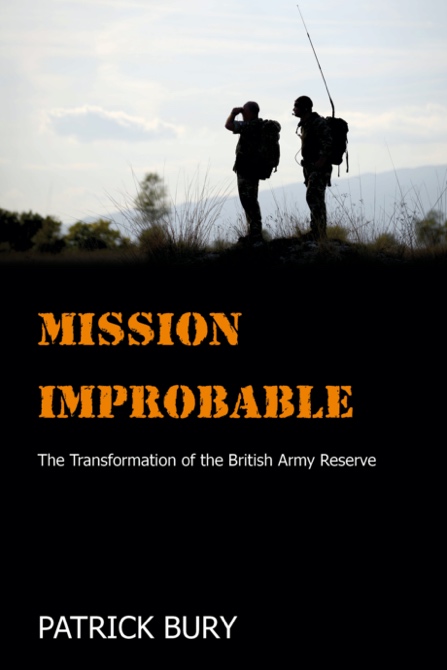
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**Patrick Bury, University of Bath, UK**

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reformation of the Reserves

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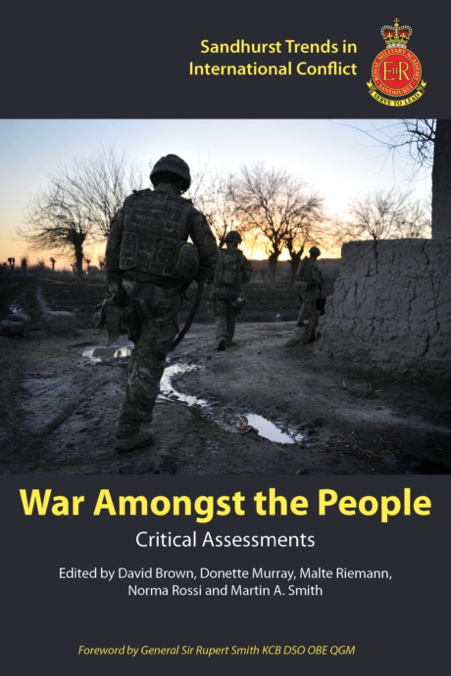
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Major General PAE Nanson CBE

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*to change.*

General Sir Rupert Smith KCB DSO OBE QGM

**About the Book**

Recent conflicts have required the armed forces to engage in what has been termed ‘war amongst the people’. Such conflicts increasingly require a type of soldier deployed to function as an ‘armed social worker’, as was seen most recently in operations in Afghanistan and Iraq. If this increased focus on societal relations has – and should – become the area of prime concern for contemporary armed forces, this poses a series of conceptual and practical questions regarding the ‘people’ concerned and the nature of the society amongst which war is conducted. Scholars and practitioners come together in this volume to explore how armed forces can make sense of such complexity in conceptual terms and how military actors have practically interacted with local power structures and relations, with both positive and negative effects. It examines armed forces’ engagement at the local level in a contemporary context and contextualises this within the broader political, strategic, tactical and legal implications this engagement has had at home and overseas.

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**Why should I read it?**

This book is unique in the literature in that it brings together academics and service personnel to address this paradigm shift in war in a format that is accessible and relevant to military professionals. Authors are leading scholars in this field and military personnel include British infantry and Army Legal as well as a senior Finnish staff officer. Recommended reading by General Sir Rupert Smith author of ‘The Utility of Force’ in 2005 which first introduced the idea of ‘war amongst the people’, and Major General Paul Nanson, former Commandant of the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.

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**Fragile and Failing States**

**Challenges and Responses**

**Edited by David Brown, Donette Murray, Malte Riemann, Norma Rossi and Martin A. Smith, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst**

*This, the second book in our Sandhurst Trends series, makes a timely contribution not only to the ongoing academic and practitioner debates on state fragility and its consequences for the world, but also to advancing our core objective of securing the Academic Faculty at RMAS as an internationally recognised centre of excellence. In this book an international team of scholars and practitioners offer a diverse and challenging range of analyses on one of the most fundamental security and development issues of our time. I am especially proud that this initiative was successfully launched during my time as Commander RMAS and am looking forward to following its continued progress in years to come.*

Brigadier WSC Wright OBE

Commander Sandhurst Group 2016-2019

**About the Book**

Since the early 1990s, the challenges posed by fragile and failing states have been a contentious and enduring part of the debates on post-Cold War international security. Though extensive, these debates have so far yielded little agreement on either the essential nature of state fragility and failure and what, if anything, potential outside intervenors can and should do to prevent it from developing, restore state functionality, or at least mitigate its impact and consequences. In this book, an international team of authors examine both the conceptual and practical challenges posed by this phenomenon. They consider the essential nature of the problem and through a variety of case studies, examine the effectiveness or otherwise of various regional and wider international responses in Africa, the Middle East and South America. This book will be of interest to both academics and practitioners engaged in studying and responding to the ongoing challenges posed by the existence of fragile and failing states in the contemporary international system.

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**Why should I read it?**

This book is unique in the literature in that it brings together academics and service personnel to address the topic of ‘fragile’, ‘failing’ and ‘failed’ states in a format that is accessible and relevant to military professionals. Authors are leading scholars in this field as well as a senior US Air Force staff officer. Recommended reading by Brigadier Bill Wright, Commander Sandhurst Group who also attended the event on which this book is based.

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**Violent Non-State Actors**

**in Modern Conflict**

**Edited by David Brown, Donette Murray, Malte Riemann, Norma Rossi and Martin A. Smith, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst**

*If you want to understand VNSAs theoretically, conceptually and empirically, this book is the one to read. The clarity of understanding around the core concepts of VNSAs (sovereignty, statism, legitimacy and de-legitimacy for example) makes this volume ideal for undergraduate studies, in particular, in the area of New Wars. Personally,*

*I see it as a core text on the topic.*

Christopher Kinsey, King’s College London

at the Joint Services Command and Staff College

**About the Book**

Recent conflicts such as those in Syria, Libya, Iraq and Afghanistan are increasingly characterised by a pluralisation of irregular and privatised forms of violence. These actors include, among others, warlords, mercenaries, terrorists, transnational organised crime groups, foreign fighters and Private Military and Security Companies (PMSCs). While some pose a direct challenge to the state, others are in a complementary and symbiotic relationship with it. As such, violent non-state actors are both competing and cooperating with state actors in modern conflicts and their hybrid nature raises questions with regards to how best to understand these actors, as they often escape neatly defined categorisations. In modern conflicts the lines between terrorists and organised crime groups, irregular and regular forces, as well as economic and political motivations to fight, are increasingly blurred. As a result, ‘new’ and ‘old’ types of violent non-state actors are defining elements of modern conflict.  The extreme complexity of twenty-first century conflicts requires a more integrated approach between military and civilian actors in order to respond more effectively to its challenges.

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**Why should I read it?**

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**About the Book**

The use of air power, like any other military force, is now becoming increasingly complicated. Missions are changing—an increase in intrastate wars, the use of air assets against terrorism and air forces deployed to conduct military operations other than war—coupled with budgetary and personnel pressures, continue to affect a nations ability to maintain competency in the aeronautical sphere of operations. Further, the number and type of actors deploying air power have changed, as has the technology. Each forward-thinking air force has now to consider potential threat scenarios that are futuristic and require some degree of planning. This volume contains data on 14 nations and their attempts to modernize, mobilize and keep ahead of their adversaries. Knowledge of other nations current force structure, doctrine and threat environment, how their budgetary pressures are affecting their acquisition decisions and whether they intend to seek interoperability provides assured and relevant information for your own aerospace capability program.

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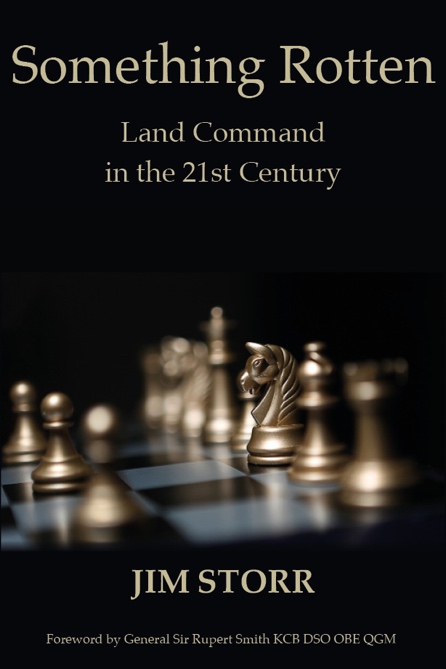
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**Something Rotten: Land Command in the 21st Century**

**Jim Storr**

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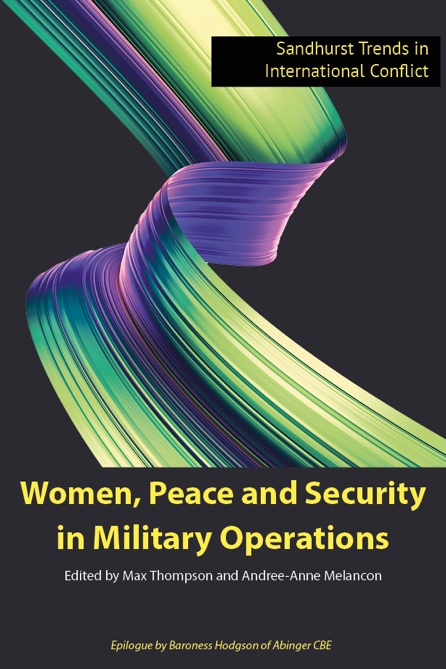
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***Major General ZR Stenning OBE, Commandant Royal Military Academy Sandhurst***

**About the Book**

Civilians are disproportionately impacted by contemporary armed conflict, with women, children, and other vulnerable groups among the most affected. Effective military operations occur against the backdrop of two major shifts in international thinking on security: Human Security and the Women, Peace and Security agenda (WPS). These innovations have radically transformed the field of contemporary security studies and continue to evolve and be debated in both academic and policy circles. However, militaries have been slow to adopt these ideas and adapt their behaviours to account for the importance of protecting civilians, gender mainstreaming, women’s participation, responsibilities on children in conflict, and preventing egregious crimes, such as modern slavery and human trafficking. This book is a conversation between academics and civilian and military practitioners to better understand the contemporary challenges and obligations militaries have towards realising the WPS agenda. Drawing on expertise from military, academia, and civil society it offers insights and recommendations on how militaries can effectively integrate the WPS agenda into their operations.

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**Christian Enemark, Professor of International Relations, University of Southampton**

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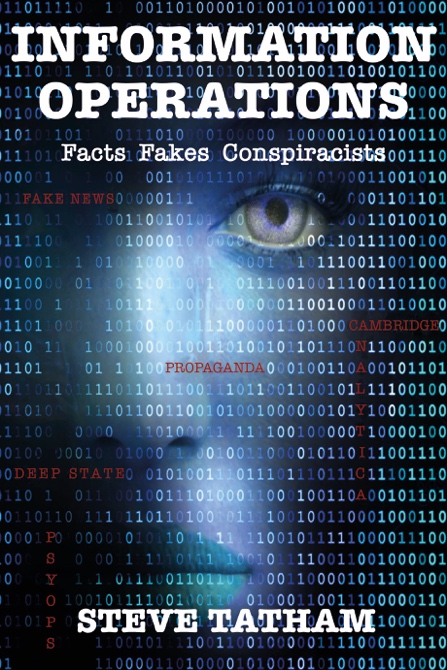
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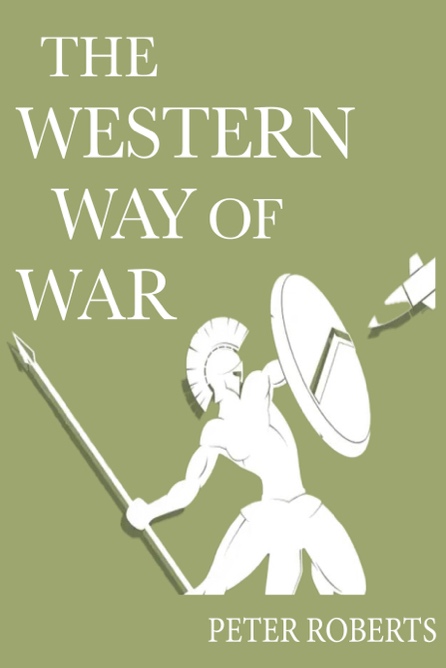
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