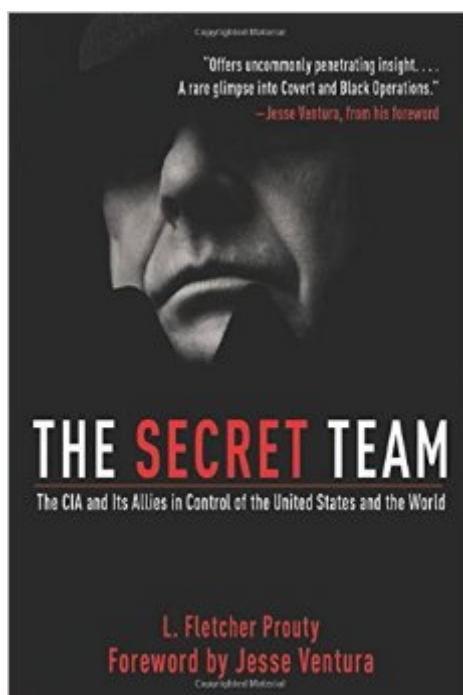


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The Secret Team: The CIA And Its Allies In Control Of The United States And The World



Synopsis

The Secret Team, L. Fletcher Prouty's expose of the CIA's brutal methods of maintaining national security during the Cold War, was first published in the 1970s. However, virtually all copies of the book disappeared upon distribution, having been purchased en masse by shady private buyers. Certainly, Prouty's allegations such as how the U-2 Crisis of 1960 was fixed to sabotage Eisenhower-Khrushchev talks cannot have pleased the CIA. The Secret Team appears once more with a new introduction by Jesse Ventura.

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This is an extremely important book. The proof of it is that even the official copy in the Library of Congress disappeared (!). Moreover, even after his death, the author continues to be the object of a smear campaign (see internet). His book is not less than a frontal attack on US intelligence and concomitantly on those who control it. Its portrait of Allen Dulles, a longtime intelligence director, says it all: 'I am a lawyer'; in other words, a servant. But of whom? This book unveils the existence of a secret cabal, a Power Elite (G. William Domhoff), a 'deep State' (P.D. Scott) within the US and its government as well as in about 40 host countries. This Power Elite uses the Secret Team of top intelligence and military commanders as its long arm and protects it. Together they stand above the law and the democratic process. They get things done, whether they have the political authorization or not. They dispose of a vast undercover political, military, intelligence, business, media and academic infrastructure, in the US as well as worldwide. They don't respect the nation State and are

able to create, to influence and to topple governments in the hemisphere controlled by them. The author gives a remarkable insight into the inner workings, the logistics, the strategies and the tactics of the intelligence agency. Its creation and history show that President H. Truman never intended to create an autonomous operational agency in the clandestine field. L.F. Prouty also gives valuable information about the U2- G. Powers incident (apparently to torpedo the US/USSR peace talks) and the Pentagon papers (an intelligence whitewash). At the end, the author poses the all important question: `Can any President ever be strong enough really to rule?

As in the case of the brilliant Jules Archer volume, *The Plot To Seize The White House*, it is terrific to have this masterful study of the inner workings of the early CIA back in print after so many years of unavailability. Skyhorse Publishing is to be commended in seeing to it that both of these crucial works are again available to the attentive reading public who want to know the truth concerning our dark hidden history that the government has so actively strived to keep buried. The late Colonel L. Fletcher Prouty served as chief of special operations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff where he was in charge of the global system designed to provide military support for covert activities of the Central Intelligence Agency. In Oliver Stone's highly acclaimed film on the assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, JFK, the mysterious character "X" portrayed by Donald Sutherland was in fact Colonel Prouty, who assisted director Stone in the production and scripting of this historical epic. Prouty had relayed the shocking information detailed in the movie to the actual New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison, played by Kevin Cosner, in a series of communiques. *The Secret Team* was first published in 1973 during the Watergate scandal, when many Americans were first learning about the dark side of covert government, an outlaw executive branch headed by a renegade chief of state. Richard Nixon would not be the last of this foul breed. This was years before Frank Church's Senate Committee's damning revelations of CIA misdeeds and assassination plots against foreign leaders rocked the nation.

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