



Counteracting Wmd: The Libyan Experience

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National Institute Press. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 150 pages. Dimensions: 8.8in. x 6.0in. x 0.5in. On December 19, 2003, Libya announced to a surprised world that it had decided to abandon its nuclear and chemical weapons programs, as well as its longer-range missiles. Within hours, Prime Minister Blair and President Bush made separate but coordinated statements welcoming Tripoli's decision. Both made clear that Colonel Qaddafi had made this historic choice following months of secret contacts with the United States and United Kingdom. The author of *The Libyan Experience*, Ambassador Robert Joseph was at the center of this single most successful counterproliferation event of the decade. As the director of the National Security Council's counterproliferation activities, he was one of very few involved in, or even aware of, the secret face-to-face negotiations that preceded Libya's renunciation of its programs to acquire weapons of mass destruction. In fact, he headed the policy discussions with the Libyans that led to this historic and dramatic outcome. What occurred during those months has never before been made available publicly or recorded in sufficient detail to answer key questions about Libyan motivations or to identify the lessons learned from this case that may apply to other...



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