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Finding the Dragon Lady The Myth and Mystery of Vietnam's Economic and Labor Demand Growth Lost Over Laos American Sniper : Adelbert Waldron Secrets Facing the Dragon Most Dangerous Vietnam Mystery Dirty Little Secrets of the Vietnam War Cracking a Vietnam War Mystery The Bushido Way First Editions, Black Literature, Radical Literature, Vietnam War Literature, Mystery Secrets of the Vietnam War Vietnam Murder in Vietnam Mysterious History of the Theosophical Society of Vietnam and Many Mysteries about Hereafter The Mystery of Darkson House Ho Chi Minh Biography - The Secrets of His Life During The Vietnam War Prove My Soul: Another Side to the Vietnam War Secrets of the Red Lantern On the Ground The Shrouded Keel The Zenith Poland and Vietnam, 1963 Bright Light Secrets from My Vietnamese Kitchen Mystery of Missing Flight F-BELV The Pentagon Papers Yesterday's Hippies - Today's Yuppies Marigold SOG Inside Hanoi's Secret Archives Spies and Commandos Vietnamese Supernaturalism El Pistolero Nixon's Nuclear Specter The Secret War Against Hanoi Vietnamese Home Cooking - Is No Longer a Mystery One Day Too Long Secrets of Hoi an

Following the Geneva Accords in 1954, Vietnam found itself separated into North and South, with communist North Vietnam under the control of Ho Chi Min. At the same time, the International Commission for Supervision and Control (ICSC) was established, whose role it was to oversee the implementation of the Accords. On 18 October 1965, an ICSC aircraft, F-BELV, was on a regular weekly flight from Saigon to Hanoi, stopping at Pnohm Penh, in Cambodia, and Vientiane, in Laos. Twenty minutes after leaving Vientiane, the captain contacted the authorities at Hanoi to give his ETA, but the aircraft never arrived. It is believed to be the only aircraft never to have been recovered from the Vietnam War. But what really happened and why? Did the aircraft crash, or was it shot down? Did it happen over Laos or North Vietnam? Mystery of Missing Flight F-BELV examines all aspects of the Vietnam War, particularly the events of 1965, and how tensions in the region heightened as the first American combat troops arrived in Vietnam. It investigates the role of the CIA, and whether their involvement had any bearing on the disappearance of flight F-BELV. It looks at those on board the aircraft, including James Sylvester Byrne, a sergeant in the Canadian Army and a relation to the author of this book. Was he just a regular soldier? Or was he really an intelligence officer gathering information to share with the Americans? A hitchhiker. A cavern. A series of murders over 25 years. 2.4 million men served inside South Vietnam. Meet the most unusual one of all. Facing the Dragon is a coming-of-age novel, wrapped in an historical event and played out in a war in an exotic land. Join the adventure. This riveting tale of heroism and patriotism tells the full story of a covert military operation in Laos that resulted in the largest ground combat loss of U.S. Air Force personnel during the Vietnam War. In their initial effort to end the Vietnam War, Richard Nixon and Henry Kissinger attempted to lever concessions from Hanoi at the negotiating table with military force and coercive diplomacy. They were not seeking military victory, which they did not believe was feasible. Instead, they backed up their diplomacy toward

North Vietnam and the Soviet Union with the Madman Theory of threatening excessive force, which included the specter of nuclear force. They began with verbal threats then bombed North Vietnamese and Viet Cong base areas in Cambodia, signaling that there was more to come. As the bombing expanded, they launched a previously unknown mining ruse against Haiphong, stepped-up their warnings to Hanoi and Moscow, and initiated planning for a massive shock-and-awe military operation referred to within the White House inner circle as DUCK HOOK. Beyond the mining of North Vietnamese ports and selective bombing in and around Hanoi, the initial DUCK HOOK concept included proposals for “tactical” nuclear strikes against logistics targets and U.S. and South Vietnamese ground incursions into the North. In early October 1969, however, Nixon aborted planning for the long-contemplated operation. He had been influenced by Hanoi's defiance in the face of his dire threats and concerned about U.S. public reaction, antiwar protests, and internal administration dissent. In place of DUCK HOOK, Nixon and Kissinger launched a secret global nuclear alert in hopes that it would lend credibility to their prior warnings and perhaps even persuade Moscow to put pressure on Hanoi. It was to be a “special reminder” of how far President Nixon might go. The risky gambit failed to move the Soviets, but it marked a turning point in the administration's strategy for exiting Vietnam. Nixon and Kissinger became increasingly resigned to a “long-route” policy of providing Saigon with a “decent chance” of survival for a “decent interval” after a negotiated settlement and U.S. forces left Indochina. Burr and Kimball draw upon extensive research in participant interviews and declassified documents to unravel this intricate story of the October 1969 nuclear alert. They place it in the context of nuclear threat making and coercive diplomacy since 1945, the culture of the Bomb, intra-governmental dissent, domestic political pressures, the international “nuclear taboo,” and Vietnamese and Soviet actions and policies. It is a history that holds important lessons for the present and future about the risks and uncertainties of nuclear threat making. The partners dive into a fifty-year-old mystery: What happened to Lt. Felipe Aznar, a distinguished infantry officer who disappeared while on emergency leave in the U.S. and is listed as a deserter. When someone using his name books a roundtrip flight from Los Angeles to Houston, the CID is alerted. The FBI says that Aznar is one name used by a suspected killer-for-hire, who has murdered at least sixty men going back thirty years. Against the backdrop of events that transpired during the Vietnam War, Chelmin and Spaulding begin their search in Southern California and run into a hornet's nest. Only after surviving multiple attempts to shoot them, abduct them, and blow them up with their hotel do they learn that Lt. Aznar is long dead and the man they seek may have killed him and stolen his identity. "Hidden from the media and the public, hundreds of US elite soldiers under the wraps of "top secret" were on missions carried out across the fence in Laos, Cambodia and North Vietnam. To military insiders, it was the "secret war." Mission authority was carried out under the aegis of the Military Assistance Command, Vietnam's top secret Studies and Observations Group. SOG's chain of command for after-action reports extended to the White House and Joint Chiefs of Staff. When the secret war ended eight years later in 1972, most SOG military records were destroyed. The cloak of secrecy remained over SOG for 29 years until April 14, 2001, when a Presidential Unit Citation--the military equivalent of the Distinguished Service Cross, our nation's second highest award for valor--was awarded to SOG and its support units." --Publisher description. Few visitors to Hoi An realize that this charming old port town on a river is two thousand years old. It is also a World Heritage Site for having possibly the finest old wooden shop houses remaining in all of Asia. In SECRETS OF HOI AN, journalist and travel writer Carol Howland winks out the past through the stories of those who passed through and sometimes stayed, the Chinese, the Japanese, the Viets from the North, even Marco Polo and later, the Portuguese, the French, the Dutch and the British. From the prehistoric inhabitants who produced beautiful jewellery to the present-day residents who create fine embroidery 'pictures', the best silk tailoring and some of the most delicious food in all of Vietnam, the author explores these old streets and houses and describes Hoi An's turbulent history. Local residents relate their family histories and nearby is another World Heritage Site, the intriguing, pre-Angkor temple ruins of Myson, built by the Cham people. The

writer delves into the still contentious past of the Chams and relates the extraordinary experiences of those archaeologists who first re-discovered Myson. *Dirty Little Secrets of the Vietnam War* allows us to see what really happened to American forces in Southeast Asia, separating popular myth from explosive reality in a clear, concise manner. Containing more than two hundred examinations of different aspects of the war, the book questions why the American military ignored the lessons taught by previous encounters with insurgency forces; probes the use of group think and mind control by the North Vietnamese; and explores the role technology played in shaping the way the war was fought. Of course, the book also reveals the "dirty little secrets," the truth behind such aspects of the conflict as the rise of the Montagnard mercenaries--the most feared group of soldiers participating in the secret war in Laos--and the details of the hidden struggle for the Ho Chi Minh Trail. With its unique and perceptive examination of the conflict, *Dirty Little Secrets of the Vietnam War* by James F. Dunnigan & Albert A. Nofi offers a critical addition to the library of Vietnam War history.

During the past decade, Vietnam has been one of the fastest growing economies in the world, but employment growth has been much slower. The large gap between GDP and employment growth implies real labor productivity growth, so greater per capita income. However, this enlarging gap, together with emerging unemployment and underemployment problems, also indicates limited benefits to employment from output expansion, an issue of concern to Vietnamese policymakers. This dissertation research addresses the relationship between GDP growth and employment growth. The central question is why labor demand in Vietnam grows so much more slowly than GDP. Three fundamental causes proposed to explain slow employment growth are: 1) structural transformation; 2) labor-saving technological progress; and 3) institutional biases due to minimum wage and state investment policies. A decomposition of labor demand growth shows that structural transformation and state investment bias can at most explain 40% of the difference between GDP and employment growth, while the remaining 60% is due to biased technological change and minimum wage bias. Further analysis breaks apart these effects due to changing sectoral output structures and declining labor-output ratios, respectively. Productivity growth prevailed in Vietnam over the past decade, but we need to allow for biased technological change to find it. Biased technological progress is more important than all other factors in affecting labor demand growth. For the entire economy, the Leontief production function best fits the data, and estimates suggest a 5% increase in labor productivity and a 1% increase in capital productivity per year during 2000-2009. The traditional agricultural sector also experienced 3% annual growth of labor productivity accelerating the structural transformation process. State investment bias has slowed labor demand growth by 0.51% per year. Privatization is beneficial to labor demand growth as a result of higher labor intensity in non-state firms relative to state owned enterprises, and robust growth of the domestic private sector. Minimum wage bias is not an important contributing factor, due to low elasticities of factor substitution and weak links between minimum and market wages. Tighter regulation of the minimum wage policy will only strongly affect labor demand in the formal agricultural and manufacturing sectors. The problem of stagnant employment is shared in other Asian countries. Labor demand growth decomposition for China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam for 1986-2008 shows that biased technological progress was responsible for more than 70% of slow employment growth, while structural transformation can only explain up to 30% of the gap between GDP and employment growth. Capital accumulation has been the dominant factor driving Asian economic growth at the early stages of the development, but as development proceeds, technological progress, especially the labor saving type, eventually plays a more important role.

In 1971, as American forces hastened their withdrawal from Vietnam, a helicopter was hit by enemy fire over Laos and exploded in a fireball, killing four top combat photographers, Larry Burrows of *Life* magazine, Henri Huet of *Associated Press*, Kent Potter of *United Press International*, and Keisaburo Shimamoto of *Newsweek*. The Saigon press corps and the American public were stunned, but the remoteness of the location made a recovery attempt impossible. When the war ended four years later in a communist victory, the war zone was sealed off to outsiders,

and the helicopter incident faded from most memories. Yet two journalists from the Vietnam press corps -- Richard Pyle, former Saigon Bureau Chief, and Horst Faas, Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer in Vietnam-pledged to return some day to Laos, resolve mysteries about the crash, and pay homage to their lost friends. True to their vow, twenty-seven years after the incident the authors joined a U.S. team excavating the hillside where the helicopter crashed. Few human remains were found, but camera parts and bits of film provided eerie proof of what happened there. The narrative of *Lost Over Laos* is framed in a period that was among the war's bloodiest, for both the military and the media, yet has received relatively little attention from historians. It is rich with behind-the-scenes anecdotes about the Saigon press corps and illustrated with stunning work by the four combat photographers who died and their colleagues. As colorful as they were heroic, the S.O.G. commandos won 10 Medals of Honor, dozens of Purple Hearts, Silver Stars, and other awards, and generated some of the most extraordinary stories ever to come out of the Vietnam War. Here are the never-before-revealed exploits of this top secret commando unit as told by a former member and participant. Includes eight pages of photos. *The Bushido Way*, the first case involving tough Private Investigator Sam Phillips, pits Sam against a new Japanese gang called the Yokohama Black Dragons, who have knocked off the Yakuza in Little Tokyo in Los Angeles during the changing times of the 1970's. Sam takes the case of Michelle Yamada, a young friend of Sam's father, who was a P.I. himself and taught Sam the business before he died. It's 1976, and Sam is one year removed from the Vietnam War that's left Sam physically and emotionally scarred but a man has to make a living. Michelle wants Sam to protect her little brother Ken, who is targeted by the Black Dragons because of him being the Yakuza son of a boss who was murdered by the Black Dragons in Japan. Ken arrives in Los Angeles to escape the eliminations and contract hits on Yakuza bosses and their sons. Sam is helped by his right hand partner, a big and bad former convict named Armstrong Jones, fresh out of prison for almost killing two men, and always lives one mistake from doing hard time. While working on the case, Sam finds out he's fathered an Amerasian kid in Vietnam named Saivon who is brought to Sam by Army personnel. Saivon is five years old and is a reminder of the woman Sam left behind. The Black Rebels are led by blood thirsty Hiroshi Ito, who has tortured and killed rival leaders in Little Tokyo to be the most feared gangster in town. A raid on Hiroshi's home by the police with Sam ended up killing Hiroshi's girlfriend which sets off a revenge killing spree of detectives involved in the raid and Hiroshi has his sight also on Sam and his involvement. Hiroshi sends out his best men to find Ken, but is met head on by Sam, Armstrong, and a few Army buddies to protect the kid, who wants to change his life. It's a hard hitting case with sex, love and betrayal with tough guy Sam handing out his own kind of punishment. "Vietnamese Home Cooking Is No Longer A Mystery - A Vietnamese Cookbook For All Tastes- Vietnamese Cooking Is So Fun" will open new horizons for you as far as cooking is concerned. It's such a useful help and it will come in handy when you need to prepare something new for you and all your loved ones. This is not a cookbook. It's a chance for you to discover a new world full of spices, tastes and textures you've never tried before. "Vietnamese Home Cooking Is No Longer A Mystery - A Vietnamese Cookbook For All Tastes- Vietnamese Cooking Is So Fun" will take you to a very interesting and beautiful country and it will show you its most popular dishes. "Vietnamese Home Cooking Is No Longer A Mystery - A Vietnamese Cookbook For All Tastes- Vietnamese Cooking Is So Fun" must be yours today. It must belong to you as soon as possible. So get it today and start cooking the Vietnamese way! *Murder In Vietnam A Davis Finn Mystery Volume 4* Welcome to the fourth episode of the exciting Davis Finn Mystery Series. Davis James Henry Finn V is the proud, and current, owner of the Finn family's lineage of storied and honorable men who share the same full name. In this story, volume four of the tale of his family's heritage, he tells the story of his father's amazing life. Davis James Henry Finn IV leaves his beloved Eagles Beak homestead in Downeast Maine to do his patriotic duty as a squad leader in the United States Army Special Forces. His enlistment takes the proud Ranger to the Vietnam War. His duty takes him to the jungles, rice patties, and the Ho Chi Minh Trail to battle the forces of the North Vietnamese Army and the Viet

Cong guerilla fighters. Finn IV also battles a former Viet Cong fighter who becomes a Kit Carson Scout for the American Army, and his squad. The deceitful scout brings treason and death to Finn's squad, and a life-long hatred develops between the two men. After the war, Finn IV returns to Eagles Beak to rebuild his life, and to help stop a viscous serial killer from his family's past, who plans to kill members of the Finn clan in a feud that has spanned four generations. Don't miss this exciting, danger-packed, love-filled, surprise-loaded, explosive adventure set in the war-torn country of Vietnam, and in Eagles Beak, Maine. I know you will love it. In November 1963, the president of South Vietnam and his brother were brutally executed in a coup that was sanctioned and supported by the American government. President Kennedy later explained to his close friend Paul "Red" Fay that the reason the United States made the fateful decision to get rid of the Ngos was in no small part because of South Vietnam's first lady, Madame Nhu. "That goddamn bitch," Fay remembers President Kennedy saying, "She's responsible ... that bitch stuck her nose in and boiled up the whole situation down there." The coup marked the collapse of the Diem government and became the US entry point for a decade-long conflict in Vietnam. Kennedy's death and the atrocities of the ensuing war eclipsed the memory of Madame Nhu—with her daunting mixture of fierceness and beauty. But at the time, to David Halberstam, she was "the beautiful but diabolic sex dictatress," and Malcolm Browne called her "the most dangerous enemy a man can have." By 1987, the once-glamorous celebrity had retreated into exile and seclusion, and remained there until young American Monique Demery tracked her down in Paris thirty years later. Finding the Dragon Lady is Demery's story of her improbable relationship with Madame Nhu, and—having ultimately been entrusted with Madame Nhu's unpublished memoirs and her diary from the years leading up to the coup—the first full history of the Dragon Lady herself, a woman who was feared and fantasized over in her time, and who singlehandedly frustrated the government of one of the world's superpowers. Complete operational account of the dangerous and deadly missions that made up a disastrous covert operation in which US commandos went behind enemy lines and were captured, killed, or returned with false information. In 1963, a frustrated President Kennedy turned to the Pentagon for help in carrying out subversive operations against North Vietnam- a job the CIA had not managed to handle effectively. Thus was born the Pentagon's Special Operations Group(SOG). Under the cover name "Studies and Observation Group," SOG would, over the next eight years, dispatch numerous spies to North Vietnam, create a triple-cross deception program, wage psychological warfare by manipulating North Vietnamese POW's and kidnapped citizens, and stage deadly assaults on enemy soldiers traveling the Ho Chi Minh Trail. Written by the country's leading expert on SOG, here is the story of that covert war-one that would have both spectacular and disastrous results. Excitable Eve visited the villages of Vietnam and hasn't been seen since. You're a secret sleuth and it's your job to find her. Choose your directions wisely or you could end up in trouble. This is the story of two girls, Karen and Jodie, who even when they are just sitting around wishing for a swimming pool, seem to get caught up in mysteries. Karen and Jodie are best friends, but they don't always think about problems the same way. Jodie's fave subject is science, and she likes to think things through logically. Karen loves art, and can't always follow Jodie's thinking, she uses intuition: seeing with the mind's eye, feeling with the heart, and looking for that surprising flash of inspiration to provide answers. But this is their mystery, so I'll let them tell it just the way it happened. "After thirteen years of being deserted Darkson House is now occupied again. This famous house, which is 100 years old this year, was constructed by Mr Darkson at great expense in the early days of Dayman Heads. When it was built, it was considered one of the grandest mansions in Australia. The marble floor was imported from Italy, the chandeliers from Austria, and the furniture was brought from Transylvania. During its construction two workmen died in freak accidents, and work had to be stopped at one stage when two skeletons were found buried near the side of the house. Then, Mr Darkson, forty years old, lived in the mansion for thirteen months before dying mysteriously in his sleep. Mrs Darkson was so upset after his unfortunate death that her hair turned grey in less than two weeks. Seeing herself in a mirror distressed her so much that she smashed every

one of the thirteen mirrors in the house. From 1966-1967, Brian M. Biggs served a unique tour of duty in Vietnam as a Marine Civic Action Officer, an assignment that included teaching English to elementary school teachers in the village of Hoa My—a life-changing experience that developed cherished friendships which have lasted to this day. "For me," he writes, "it was a meal of 'Bun Bo' soup served on the school desks of Hoa My Elementary School that swept the Vietnamese teachers into my heart and mind." His three return trips to Vietnam in 2001, 2004, and 2006, allowed those friendships to flourish. Those visits also unraveled a mystery born out of the chaos and confusion that was the Vietnam War. A mystery that mistakenly cast him as a spy for the South Vietnamese government and brought to light the role he played in the fate of one of the teachers suspected of being Vietcong. Memory is the one who builds you a permanent court of justice. Memory is the one at your side from whom you cannot run... A sweeping tale of thwarted love, political intrigue, and the price of power—"The Doctor Zhivago of Vietnam" (Boston Globe)—about Ho Chi Minh, the founding father of modern Vietnam, a man beloved by millions but shrouded in controversy and mystery Vietnam's most popular dissident writer, Duong Thu Huong has won acclaim for her exceptional lyricism and psychological acumen, as well as for her unflinching portraits of modern Vietnam and its culture and people. Built on 15 years of research, *The Zenith* imagines the final months in the life of Ho Chi Minh—president of North Vietnam from 1945 until his death in 1969—at an isolated mountain compound where he is imprisoned both physically and emotionally. Complex, daring, and elegiac, Huong's novel weaves Ho Chi Minh's story together with narratives of members of his inner circle and a village elder, illuminating the personal costs of political struggle, the addictive quality of power and influence, and how a tragedy can threaten to engulf not just one individual but an entire nation. Most radically, it is a multidimensional portrait of Ho Chi Minh himself; a man who is often painted as a saint, martyr, or puppet, but whom Huong portrays as a real person whose life encapsulated humanity's capacity for vision, greed, pain, love, and fallibility. An epic masterpiece that is both a gripping political thriller and a haunting excavation of the human heart, *The Zenith* is an unforgettable novel that leaves readers unsettled, transformed, and closer to life's fundamental mysteries. Before there was "American Sniper" Chris Kyle, there was Adelbert "Bert" Waldron. Waldron had over 109 confirmed kills in the Vietnam War. He received two Distinguished Service Crosses as well as a Silver Star for his exploits and heroism during the war. Yet he remains largely unknown to the public. This book discusses some of the mystery and myths regarding Waldron, questioning the number of his kills, the reasons behind his questionable discharge and his shady dealings with international arms dealer Mitchell Werbell III. In 2005, Elizabeth Hayes Wexler contacts the Cleveland, Ohio Police Department to ask for help to get closure to the mysterious 1970 murder of her brother, William Bill Hayes, who was shot to death. The cold case team, headed by Detective Jill Patterson, accepts the challenge. After sifting through potential suspects, along with some help of mystifying dreams, she solves the case with a surprise ending. "The WikiLeaks of its day" (Time) is as relevant as ever to present-day American politics. "The most significant leaks of classified material in American history." –The Washington Post Not Fake News! The basis for the 2018 film *The Post* by Academy Award-winning director Steven Spielberg, The Pentagon Papers are a series of articles, documents, and studies examining the Johnson Administration's lies to the public about the extent of US involvement in the Vietnam War, bringing to light shocking conclusions about America's true role in the conflict. Published by The New York Times in 1971, The Pentagon Papers riveted an already deeply divided nation with startling and disturbing revelations about the United States' involvement in Vietnam. The Washington Post called them "the most significant leaks of classified material in American history" and they remain relevant today as a reminder of the importance of a free press and First Amendment rights. The Pentagon Papers demonstrated that the government had systematically lied to both the public and to Congress. This incomparable, 848-page volume includes: *The Truman and Eisenhower Years: 1945-1960* by Fox Butterfield *Origins of the Insurgency in South Vietnam* by Fox Butterfield *The Kennedy Years: 1961-1963* by Hedrick Smith *The Overthrow of Ngo Dinh Diem: May-November, 1963* by Hedrick

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direct talks and Hanoi was not ready to negotiate. This book uses new evidence from long hidden communist sources to show that, in fact, Poland was authorized by Hanoi to open direct contacts and that Hanoi had committed to entering talks with Washington. It reveals LBJ's personal role in bombing Hanoi as he utterly disregarded the pleas of both the Polish and his own senior advisors. The historical implications of missing this opportunity are immense: Marigold might have ended the war years earlier, saving thousands of lives, and dramatically changed U.S. political history. Bright Light is the true story of the author's training as a green beret medical specialist and his service with the top secret MACV SOG. The book reveals, for the first time, firsthand accounts of dangerous black operations behind enemy lines during the peak of the Vietnam War. The author also shares the sometimes humorous happenings within the relative safety of the base camp and his warnings for our actions in Iraq and Afghanistan. Based on exclusive access to secret Vietnamese archives and classified U.S. sources, here, finally, is the key to the POW/MIA mystery that has haunted America since the end of the Vietnam War. Includes previously unreleased photos of American POWs, living and dead, from the PAVN archives. Popular religion in southern Vietnam is so often regarded as an indefinable mix of many different beliefs, meanings and symbols with little pattern of explanation. In contrast, this book highlights that the beliefs of the Vietnamese can be categorized into four distinct, yet overlapping, spheres and that the varying attitudes which exist towards the spirit world are a direct result of unique historical and environmental circumstances. Vietnamese Supernaturalism examines a wide range of religious customs, from trancer possession practices to styles of self-cultivation, against several different backgrounds including, migration settlement and the effect of colonialism. Despite the ostensible differences within the practices of 'popular religion', Thien Do controversially demonstrates two consistent similarities: an abiding interest in the altered state of consciousness and the daily acts of survival employed in order to evade identity construction. By bringing together oral histories, reports and fiction writing alongside more conventional documented sources, this book reveals an area of history which has been largely neglected. It will prove to be a valuable resource to students of Asian studies, anthropology and all of those with an interest in the history of Vietnam. Who's Ho Chi Minh? He was a great leader who brought the Vietnam's independence from the French colonists. This book is going to show you in action how he handled tough situations and what decisions he made to become a great leader so many people admire today. You are going to learn about his life from early childhood until death. What he learned during his trips around the world and how that shaped him as a person? You are going to witness his story and all incredible challenges he went through to become what most people consider a man with revolutionary vision. You'll discover secrets most people would never know about his life. Grab your copy now! The story begins in the Vietnamese coastal resort city of Vung Tau in 1971 with the brutal and senseless murders of three young Vietnamese nurses. The local Vietnamese police are ill-equipped and even less motivated to solve the crimes so they enlist the help of a former Australian homicide detective and current Australian Army MP who involves US Army CID warrant officer Mike Wickham in the investigation. The stakes are raised for Wickham when two American nurses are murdered in a manner similar to that of the Vietnamese women. Wickham's investigation points to a wealthy and influential Australian businessman as the killer but the evidence is circumstantial and no arrest is possible before the suspect flees home. A dozen years later Wickham is back home in Newport and has become a successful local radio talk show host. Newport is in the midst of another America's Cup summer and the seaside city is teeming with yachtsmen and tourists. Wickham unexpectedly meets his former Australian MP friend who is in Newport serving as head of security for the Australian cup challenger syndicate. Not long thereafter a young nurse is found murdered in Newport. Lt. Steve Carpenter, the lead homicide detective for the Newport Police, contacts Wickham who had told Carpenter years earlier about the unsolved murders in Vietnam. Carpenter tells Wickham that the Newport murder is unnervingly similar to the murders Wickham had told him about in Vietnam. In another bizarre twist Wickham discovers that the Australian businessman who was the suspect in Vietnam is a member of the Australian syndicate and that he had

been in Newport for more than a month. Soon another murder and an attempted murder take place and there is still no direct evidence linking the powerful Australian businessman or anyone else to the crimes. It also becomes clear to Wickham that the relationship between the former Aussie MP and the businessman may be much closer and more sinister than either Wickham or Carpenter had imagined.

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