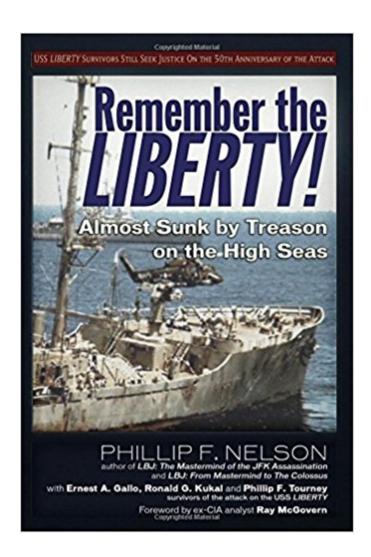


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Remember The Liberty!: Almost Sunk By Treason On The High Seas





Synopsis

In the annals of US military history, there are no doubt many unsolved and perplexing mysteries, but few could compare to the fate of the US Navy spy ship that was mercilessly attacked by one of its closest allies intentionally and without warning. One of the reasons it is still a mystery is because it is also the only peacetime attack on a US naval vessel that, to this day, has never been investigated by the Congress of the United States. The USS Liberty was a 455-foot, 10,150-ton electronic intercept spy ship, originally a standard-design Victory Ship--a more evolved version of the World War II Liberty Ships--which were built as supply ships, not intended for direct fighting. The Liberty had been converted to an Auxiliary Technical Research Ship (AGTR), known colloquially as a "spy ship," first deployed in 1965; its top speed was only 18 knots. Yet the Liberty's fate, one of the most enigmatic, unresolved military mysteries of all time, is, paradoxically at its core, quite clear-cut and undisputed. The basic facts generally accepted by all are that, on the fourth day of the Six Day War between Israel and its Arab neighbors (Egypt, Syria and Jordan), the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) savagely attacked the U.S. spy ship, the USS Liberty. On the warm, sunny-bright day of June 8, 1967, starting at about 6:00 a.m., at least twelve, possibly thirteen Israeli aircraft of different types began surveilling the Liberty, some of which were only 1,000 feet or less in altitude, apparently to photograph and "map" her for later targeting purposes. The precision of the later attack could only have been accomplished through such pre-planning, specifically identifying the priority targets, starting with the gun mounts to render the ship defenseless, followed by all of the forty-five different radio antennae and related transmitting equipment. . Beginning just before 2:00 p.m., three unmarked French-built Mirage III-C swept-wing fighter jets, without warning, settled into a triangular formation, aimed straight at the Liberty and proceeded to bore down on the ship in a fast low-level attack that began with rockets targeted at the four gun mounts and heat-seeking missiles aimed at the communications gear, with their warmed transmitters. . When the attack was over, thirty-four men were dead and one hundred seventy-four were injured to varying degrees, some near death. Unlike all other books ever written about the tragic attack - none of which provide a satisfactory explanation of what really caused it - Remember the Liberty! examines it in complete context of how it was positioned there by Johnson himself, for the very purpose of being attacked, and sunk, with every one of the 294 men on board going to the bottom of the Mediterranean Sea. His purpose was to use that event - while blaming Egyptian President Gamal Nasser for the attack - as a pretext for joining Israel in the war, even at the risk of igniting World War III with the Soviet Union. This book provides the only realistic explanation for why Lyndon Johnson did what he did, and why, in the heat of battle, he intervened with his Navy officers who were determined to rescue the Liberty and

ordered them to recall the squadrons of fighter jets they had already dispatched - twice. 90 minutes apart - for that purpose. When the heroic crew saved the ship from sinking, it stopped Johnson's plan to join Israel in the war and thereby saved the world from certain nuclear conflagration. It also prevented his strategy of entering what he felt would be a "popular war" (unlike his other one in Vietnam) in order to give him a better chance to be reelected president the following year. When that failed to materialize, so did his reelection campaign; ten months later he was forced to announce his decision to not re-run for the office that he had always considered his destiny.

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Customer Reviews

[Former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Admiral Thomas H.] Moorer is right in saying that, if Americans were told the truth about what happened on June 8, 1967, they might be more discriminating in seeing through Israel's rhetoric and objectives. A A Moorer insisted that we owe no less to the brave men of the USS Liberty, but also to every man and woman who is asked to wear the uniform of the United States. A A And he is right about that too. A A This book makes a huge contribution toward those worthy ends.~ Ray McGovern, former CIA Analyst and co-founder of Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity (VIPS)[Author Phillip] Nelson .. deserves our eternal gratitude for bringing us what amounts to the A A definitive account of the events and circumstances of that day in what can be rightly termed its proper historical context and geopolitical perspective. If there's any justice, accountability, and transparency - as well as closure - to be had over the Liberty's fate, then that time has arrived. His account should dispel once and for all any further doubt about what happened to the Liberty, it being simultaneously, A A if incongruously, one

of the worst ' best-kept secrets' in the history of the U.S.-Israeli relationship.... this treasonous plot was the brainchild of none other than U.S. President Lyndon Johnson himself possibly the most unhinged individual ever to inhabit the Oval Office -- whose singular devotion to Israel has been well documented by Nelson and many others . . . A A As we' Il see, along with documenting the myriad assortment of pathologies that occupied prime real estate in Number 36's deepest psych-cerebral recesses, it is the primary role he played in precipitating then facilitating both the Liberty attack and the SDW [Six Day War] that mark Nelson's book out as a unique and essential - and to date, based on all available evidence, arguably the most complete, accurate and coherent -- chronicle of the events at hand. A A A In Nelson's telling, it is LBJ who provides the key piece that apos;s been all but missing from previous narratives about either the Liberty incident or the Six Day War itself, on both counts begging the question that frequently attends any examination of presidential history: A A "what did the president know and when did he know it?". As it turns out here, the president knew pretty much all the details before anyone, as he was both principal architect and orchestrator. Not only did LBJ collude with the Israelis to provoke the "spontaneous" Six Day War (the Operation so-named Frontlet 615) for possibly up to two years prior to the war's outbreak, within that gambit was Operation Cyanide, the plot to sink the Liberty then blame it on Egypt, so as to provide the casus belli for U.S entry in the war. Only someone capable of enormous acts of self-delusion, Nelson says, ' would even think that he could replace truths with lies, and that the lies would become the truth, could have possibly been behind this tragic story.'-- Greg Maybury, Perth, Australia in PoxAmerika, June 8, 2017Ã Â The Liberty carried 294 men.Ã Â Just over 70% of them would end up as casualties of the attack, with 34 dead and 174 injured. Officially, to this day, the episode is written off as just a "tragic accident," a simple case of "mistaken identity." A A So thoroughgoing has the news suppression been that four years after the event Lyndon Johnson (more precisely, his ghost writer, Doris Kearns Goodwin) was able to write in his memoirs, Vantage Point, that 10 men had been killed and 100 injured, and no one of note said anything about the outrageous undercount. A A "Who cares?" our news media said in so many words. A A The experience, as it is recounted in the book, is made all the more poignant by the fact that we get eyewitness accounts from Nelson's co-authors, attack-survivors Ernest A. Gallo, Ronald G. Kukal, and Phillip F. Tourney. A A The four writers together are almost uniquely qualified to provide in this 50th anniversary year the definitive account and analysis of the assault on the Liberty. A A Nelson, with his previous two books, LBJ: The Mastermind of the JFK Assassination and LBJ: From Mastermind to Colossus has established himself as the most incisive and fearless biographer of the

"psychopathic," ultra-Zionist 36th president of the United States. In that second book, with most of a chapter devoted to the subject, Nelson gives the sort of attention to the Liberty attack that is missing from LBJ's Wikipedia page, but one should not think that he already knows all he needs to know about the Liberty assault from that account. A A This latest book is full of important new revelations. A A Gallo was one of the many intelligence officers on the Liberty, which was under the control of the National Security Administration, though manned largely by U.S. Navy sailors. A A He is the author of the 2013 book, Liberty Injustices: A Survivor's Account of American Bigotry and is the current president of the USS Liberty Veterans Association. A A Kukal was the petty officer in charge of body recovery and identification on the Liberty. A A No one is more intimately familiar with the pain and suffering caused by the attack. A A Tourney, a three-time president of the USS Liberty Veterans Association, was a Navy enlisted man assigned to damage control (fireman) on the day of the attack. A A He is the author of What I Saw That Day: Israel's June 8th, 1967 Holocaust of US Servicemen aboard the USS Liberty and its Aftermath [and, more recently Erasing the Liberty]. As Nelson tells it though, as things have turned out they are not nearly as bad as they might have been had the plot to sink the Liberty succeeded. By Nelson's thesis, Johnson saw our big plunge into the Middle East on the successful side of beleaguered little Israel as a dramatic way to reverse the course of his own political fortunes, always foremost in his consideration. A A Jewish Americans, who tend to be heavily liberal in their orientation, were in the forefront of the opposition to his Vietnam policy. A A Here was his chance for him to be their hero and to thereby cement his chance for re-election in 1968. A Â Â Î want that Goddamn ship going to the bottom. A A No help. A A Recall the wings. A That is the precise order that Johnson gave Rear Admiral Lawrence Geis, the commander of the battle group of which the America was a part, the second time American planes were recalled, this time after the torpedo had struck. A A Geis gave that information years later to Lieutenant Commander David Lewis, who had been the head of the NSA group on the Liberty. A A Geis had asked Lewis to keep it secret until after he was dead, which Lewis did.-- David Martin, in his blog "DCDave" on June 8, 2017A A

The story of the attack on the USS Liberty is one of the most explosive and hidden secrets in U.S. history -- one that has never been previously told -- because the truth was too incriminating for the then-president, Lyndon B. Johnson. \tilde{A} \hat{A} The facts were withheld and replaced with lies which he created to hide his own treasonous conduct. No previous book on the subject has come close to providing a realistic explanation of \tilde{A} \hat{A} how it could occur because none has ever documented the fact that he was the primary instigator of that attack, and even the larger plan for Israel to attack its

neighbors in what became the Six Day War. The veil of secrecy he designed has lasted fifty years and this book is the first of its kind to remove it. After the botched plan to sink the Libertyà Â was executed, thanks to its heroic crew, the ship refused to sink even after being hit by a torpedo, leading the attack to be cancelled and a massive cover-up invoked. Including severe threats for the crew members to "keep their lips sealed." That cover-up is barely still in place, and has now been completely exposed.Ã Â Remember the Liberty!Ã Â examines the over-arching, larger story behind the attack on the ship and how Johnson had designed it as another false flag" operation intended to secure him another landslide election win the following year, just like he had done in 1964 with another false flag operation -- the faked "attack" by North Vietnam gunboats on two U.S. Navy destroyers at the Gulf of Tonkin. Much of the book was written by three of the survivors of the attack. Ã Â Finally, the truth is being told as never before and the real story revealed.

I was a junior Marine Lieutenant going through Army Intelligence School at Fort Holabird in Maryland when the Six Day War took place. Since I was the on-call Forward Air Controller for the 2nd Marine Division I was notified that I might be given 24 hours to get my gear ready for deployment to the Middle East should the 2nd Division be required to send troops. At the time for the course I was assigned a paper on Israel to determine what their capabilities and their intentions were. My conclusion was that they could fight for no longer than seven days or their economy would collapse because their soldiers were all reservists. Everything Americans have been told by the government then continuing until now has been a mass of lies and perpetual deceit. This book should have been written and become a best seller fifty years ago. If I had commanded the Sixth Fleet I would have launched every fighter and attack aircraft I had capable of flying, fully loaded, and told them to sink every vessel in the Israeli forces bigger than a bath tube. It's still not too late to send Israel the message we should have delivered right then. The coverup of the attack on the Liberty is a monument to the total and utter control the Zionist lobby has over the political system and media of the United States. With pretty much the sole exception of Admiral Thomas Moorer the US military turned cowardly and participated in the coverup of the most brutal cold blooded murder of American troops in US history. Admiral McCain, father of the present Senator McCain, ran the scheme and was quite willing to sacrifice the lives and reputations of US Navy sailors in order to further his career. The acorn doesn't fall far from the tree. Every sailor, every Marine, every person who ever put on a uniform of the United States believing they might be put in harms way but it was worth it to defend their country, owes it to himself or herself to read this book. It tells them who really runs the world and just how much their government really cares about them. The men of the Liberty

are owed the recognition they so much deserved for their incredibly skill and bravery in the face of an attack by a spineless enemy capable of the worst treachery. This book tells the truth about fifty years ago but we face the same gutless liars today who are quite willing to shed American blood on behalf of Israel. Why doesn't Israel fight their own wars?

Book Review by Greg Maybury*With the anniversary of the enormously consequential 1967 Six-Day War (SDW) between Israel and the Arab states (Egypt, Syria, Jordan) upon us, Phil Nelson $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} , ϕ s book is a timely and welcome addition to the literature of that event and the key people involved, and indeed, the era. Although on its face about the deliberate attack by the Israeli Defence Forces (IDF) during that conflict on the US naval $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \ddot{E} cesig-int $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} , ϕ ship the USS Liberty, with the loss of 34 lives and over 170 casualties, it $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ s much more than that. Along with showcasing one of the most disgraceful episodes in U.S. military history $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • to say little of the self-serving, hypocritical and callous manner in which the political and military establishment treats its service personnel $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ $\hat{a} \cdot \tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "Remember the Liberty! $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} presents us an opportunity to place into broader, more urgent relief, the history of America $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}c\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \tilde{A}$ \hat{a} ...cs increasingly dangerous $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • some might say existentially so $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • relationship with Israel, in addition to probing the role of both nations in past events and those unfolding as we speak in and across the Greater Middle East. His just released tome moreover, crucially invites us to reexamine the virtually unexplored, indeed, wilfully neglected role played in these events by arguably America $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ s most psychologically unhinged and criminally $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ Ëæsectionable $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ of Oval Officeholders, one whose political ascendancy and White House tenure may have been the most consequential of all. We $\hat{A}f\hat{A}\phi\hat{A}$ â $\neg\hat{A}$ â, ¢re talking here the then president of the US, Lyndon B. Johnson (LBJ), he of the Gulf of Tonkin fame. As the author reveals, had things gone the way as LBJ had planned, it almost certainly would $\hat{A}f\hat{A}\phi\hat{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\hat{A}$ \hat{a},ϕ ve triggered the most cataclysmic consequences of all for humanity. Suffice to say that to the extent there might have been anyone around to write about it after, by way of comparison, the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis would $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} , ϕ ve ended up a mere footnote in history. On all counts then, Nelson $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a},ϕ s book provides us ample context and perspective within which to contemplate all of this and more. The truly astonishing story in this new book then is about one of the most explosive and hidden secrets in US history $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • one that has never been previously told in such a transformative way. It is made all the more explosive because it involves Israel. Based on all available evidence, this is the most

authentic, complete, up to date $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • and it has to be said, disturbing $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • account of the Liberty tragedy and its subsequent cover-up; the war in which it took place and that war $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ s own hidden backstory; and the real perpetrators behind both of these, along with revelations about their motivations and intrigues. No matter what you read elsewhere, I can pretty much guarantee you $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ¢re not getting the $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ Ëæfull monty $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ . $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ Å"Remember the Liberty! $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} • explores how a sitting US president collaborated with Israeli leaders in the fomentation of what became known as the Six-Day War between them and their Arab neighbors. The so-called $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ Å"spontaneous war $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ • had been planned for months $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ â• possibly even as early as two years before $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • to be a war that would ensure a victory for Israel; the weakening of her enemies in neighboring Arab nations; and the acquisition of additional territories for Israel. These were all incentives to create $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ Ëœbuy-in $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â,, ϕ from Israeli leaders to this diabolical quid pro quo between them and LBJ, which might not otherwise have been forthcoming. But the man known as $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $-\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "Landslide Lyndon $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $-\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} • had his own ulterior motives in facilitating the Six-Day War: For the estimable LBJ, his highest priority was always about the ruthless accumulation of power, and in this case, it was about holding onto said power by ensuring his re-election the following year. Upset by his loss of popularity generally and with Jewish voters in particular, he wanted to give Israel as much covert $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} ∞ and ultimately, had the plan succeeded, overt $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â ∞ support as possible in the plan to engage their neighbors in that war, including the creation of a pretext to join them in attacking Egypt. After the botched plan was implemented, the ship refused to sink even after being hit by a torpedo (more on this shortly), leading the attack to be abandoned and a massive cover-up set in motion, which included serious threats to the crewmembers to $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ Å"keep their lips sealed. $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ ŕRemember the Liberty! places much more focus on the brutality and ruthlessness with which the Johnson

administration and the U.S. Navy hierarchy treated the sailors themselves, not only then, but, significantly, continuing even now. It began even before, during and immediately after the attack but $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} ∞ because of the threats of prison $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} or worse $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} if they ever uttered a word about it, even to their wives or parents $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} ∞ it festered for decades, while they had to live with the horrors they experienced. It meant keeping their appalling memories to themselves for 15-20 years before they felt safe enough to even discuss it with anyone else. Their stories relate how they have continued to be marginalized and dismissed by the MSM and accused of anti-Semitism by Israeli defenders in knee-jerk fashion. In fact, the book contains an

entire chapter dedicated to this point. Another brutally shocking revelation -- one hitherto virtually ignored or neglected, even apparently by some of the survivors, and one likely to induce cognitive dissonance even in those folks who might imagine themselves immune to the discomforts of this most curious of psychological conditions -- is the following: After the IDF motor torpedo boats (MTB) had fired four torpedoes and all had missed the target (this may or may not have been deliberate upon the part of the MTB commanders; we can only surmise), the fifth torpedo which did hit the ship was fired, according to one sailor's account, by the Liberty's escort submarine the USS Amberjack, the result of a direct order from President Johnson. The grievously wounded sailor - Richard Larry Weaver - who only relatively recently revealed publicly this part of the story (and further claimed the Amberjack filmed the assault through its periscope), was nearly killed, only saved by one of his shipmates who came to his rescue and helped him to the medics, the then 21 year old literally holding his intestines inside his abdomen until his fellow sailor delivered what was left of him to the ship's only doctor. The most severely wounded of all of the remaining survivors, even for those who aren't especially God-fearing would have to concede some kind of miracle occurred that day to save Weaver. But well might we say, that day June 8, 1967, was remarkable for its many "miracles", and Nelson's narrative is littered with them. When he was finally released from hospital and returned Stateside, Weaver then discovered that his Navy records had been doctored to hide the fact he was even assigned to the Liberty. He was then forced to hire a private investigator to prove it just to get his disability service pension acknowledged. His investigator reportedly had "high-level Pentagon contacts" who revealed many of the secrets to him, and that's how Weaver found out about that "fifth torpedo" and who had fired it. I'm given to understand that this investigator has since denied he made this revelation, but to this day Weaver - a man who has undergone more than 35 major operations since that day -- is adamant his account is true. (N.B. His account can be found on YouTube). For those folks who have read Nelson $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} , ϕ s earlier books on LBJ, they will know such a monumental act of treachery and treason was not beyond him. By Nelson $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ s reckoning, he wanted the ship sunk! LBJ $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â ∞ interestingly, a former, albeit less than distinguished. Navy man himself $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • was not prepped to allow a $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}c\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ Å"few dead sailors $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}c\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ Å• to cause any $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "embarrassment $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} • to an important ally like Israel, and one assumes, to himself. Many other books have been written on the Israeli attack on the USS Liberty. Some of those present the case put forth by the U.S. and Israeli governments $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a},ϕ $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ Å"official story $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ • developed to perpetuate the contrived cover-up narrative, hiding the incriminating facts and essentially writing it off as a freak

 $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}c\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ Å"accident. $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}c\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ • You know, the $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}c\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ Å"Fog of War $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}c\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ \hat{A} thing! But that was never the reaction of the State Department officials of the time, or the Navy brass who were not under orders to conduct a phony investigation designed to cover it up. One of them, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Thomas Moorer, observed that the president $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a},ϕ s handling of the Liberty attack was $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ $\hat{A}''\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} the most disgraceful act I witnessed in my entire military career. $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} Tellingly, the man who wrote the original fabricated Navy $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ Å"Court of Inquiry $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ • report on the incident $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â ∞ the report used by those same authors as the basis for their books $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â ∞ eventually retracted all of it: Former Navy Captain Ward Boston Jr., JAGC, in 2004 wrote a scathing denunciation of the book by Cristol, admitting that the original Navy report was designed to cover up the truths and replace them with bald-faced lies, as is detailed in Remember the Liberty! This though is the first book to factor LBJÃf¢Ã ⠬à â,¢s psychopathological issues Ãf¢Ã ⠬à â œ again of which like his $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "travails $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \tilde{A}$ \hat{A} , there were many $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \tilde{A}$ \hat{a} into the calculus. Again, anyone who $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ s read Nelson $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ s earlier books on the man will know what we $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ¢re talking about here. Only by understanding his obsession in winning back the political support of Jewish people who $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} , ϕd abandoned him because of his shambolic Vietnam policies $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • along with the monomaniacal nature of Number 36 $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • can one understand what really happened. Like his previous $ilde{\mathsf{A}} f \hat{\mathsf{A}} \varphi ilde{\mathsf{A}}$ â $\neg ilde{\mathsf{A}}$ å $\neg \hat{\mathsf{A}} \hat{\mathsf{A}} \varphi ilde{\mathsf{A}}$ â $\neg \hat{\mathsf{A}} \hat{\mathsf{A}} \varphi \tilde{\mathsf{A}}$ â $\neg \hat{\mathsf{A}} \hat{\mathsf{A}} \varphi \tilde{\mathsf{A}} \hat{\mathsf{A}} \varphi \tilde{\mathsf{A}}$ $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} \tilde{A} \hat{A} \hat{A} North Vietnamese gunboats on two U.S. Navy destroyers, conveniently occurring just three months before the 1964 elections, which helped him win his landslide election $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â ∇ \tilde{A} â ∞ he thought this attack would secure his re-election the following year. Yet the opposite happened: when the Liberty did not sink $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \tilde{A}$ $\hat{a} \cdot and$ his devious $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "false flag $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \tilde{A}$ $\hat{A} \cdot a$ plan to use it as a pretext for blaming the attack on Egypt and join Israel in their victorious $\hat{A}f\hat{A}\hat{c}\hat{A}$ â $\neg\hat{A}$ Å"Six-Day War $\hat{A}f\hat{A}\hat{c}\hat{A}$ â $\neg\hat{A}$ \hat{A} collapsed $\hat{A}f\hat{A}\hat{c}\hat{A}$ â $\neg\hat{A}$ â ∞ it was his re-election chances that were deep-sixed. Nine months later he reluctantly announced that he would remove himself from the 1968 elections to the very office he had lusted for his entire life. And as they say, the rest is history. Except that with these things, it never is of course! Of the two principals involved, the conflicted $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • in both cases ulterior $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • goals of the Six-Day War are the root cause of the turbulence in the Middle East which the world has witnessed for the last five decades. Numerous ironies abound, such as the fact that over half of the U.S. foreign aid budget

goes to Israel, a well-developed, prosperous economic power set amidst some of the most poverty-ridden nations in the world. And it was through the paradox of Johnson $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}c\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} , $c\tilde{c}s$ most sordid, devious manipulations that the U.S.-Israel relationship became so entwined in the aftermath of the Liberty attack: Suddenly, U.S. policy was transformed from being $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ Å"neutral $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ • towards all countries in the area $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ ⠜ as earlier administrations had tried to remain, to avoid being seen as partial to either side $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\nabla\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} \hat{b} to that of openly, aggressively, backing Israel in all possible ways, including its acquisition of nuclear weapons and delivery systems, an ambition which LBJ $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}c\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \tilde{A}$ \hat{a},cs predecessor JFK had adamantly opposed. This book will undoubtedly cop plenty of flak for its controversial assertions, even from some purportedly liberal/left-wing quarters, with many folks therein still resist embracing the real truth about Johnson the man, the consequential nature and character of both his presidential tenure and his political career overall, and his overarching position in the historical firmament. Bizarrely, LBJ is still regarded in many quarters as some kind of $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $-\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "liberal $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $-\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} icon largely due to the so-called $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $-\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "Great" Society $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} , a busted flush by any measure when one considers the individual state today of most the key areas where the program was supposed to improve the lives of Americans. These included ambitious reforms in everything from immigration, consumer protection, civil rights, housing and urban development, health, education, along with addressing major issues of economic inequality, to name the key areas. And although Johnson can $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ t be blamed for all of the failures of these reform measures, still well might we ask, what does American have to show for the Great Society today? Or well might we ask, how much more successful might they have been had he not blown the budget in $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • and allowed himself to so distracted by $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • the Vietnam debacle, one for which he was totally responsible, and for which he can and should rightly be blamed? But for those folks with a more (ahem), nuanced view of the 36th POTUS $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ â • exposed in sordid, excruciating detail in Nelson $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg \tilde{A}$ â, ϕ s earlier books on the me) $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • there may or may not be any surprises herein. He was as some folks were wont to say, a man to see with the bark off! The fact that LBJ $\tilde{A}f\tilde{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a},ϕ s diabolical plan failed, and the Liberty did not sink thanks to the heroic efforts of the survivors. undoubtedly saved the world from the nuclear conflagration which might have otherwise occurred, with Jerusalem $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} ∞ the $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "city of peace $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} ." $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â ∞ at ground zero. They say Americans don $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ t do irony. This writer once again begs to differ. $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ A "Remember the Liberty! $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ $\hat{A} \cdot$ is then both a tale of betrayal, abandonment, and justice denied, and truth ruthlessly suppressed. It is also one of

great courage and determination, and what we might term here Down Under,

 $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \ddot{E} comateship forged under fire $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a},ϕ . Moreover, it is one of authentic patriotism, not the dodgy variety that passes for such in and around the rarefied environs of the Beltway. For their efforts in saving the ship, they helped avert the unthinkable, an achievement for which we all must be forever truly grateful. I hope readers are all able to see their way clear of keeping this story alive by buying the book and alerting interested friends, family and acquaintances to this very important $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • if shameful $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} • piece of American history. This will be the $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \ddot{E} colast shot in the locker $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{a},ϕ as it were these veterans and their families have to obtain some critical mass public recognition, accompanied by some measure of justice and redress for what they $\hat{A}f\hat{A}\hat{c}\hat{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg \hat{A}$ \hat{a} , \hat{c} ve been put through, and continue to go through. To say nothing of the all important, much sought after closure. After all, we $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ d want all that for ourselves wouldn $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ â $\neg\tilde{A}$ â, ϕ t we?*Greg MayburyEditor/Founder,Pox Amerikana (blog)P.S. Taking my cue from Phil's book, I've written an extensive 2 part analysis and commentary on the Liberty tragedy, the Six-Day War, and LBJ's roles in both of these events. This is called Of Treachery, Treason, Terror, Truth and Liberty Forsaken (An American Tale). This can be found on my blog.Remember the Liberty!: Almost Sunk by Treason on the High SeasLBJ: The Mastermind of the JFK AssassinationLBJ: From Mastermind to "The Colossus"

My review will be short, as I am one of the writers. If you like first hand, eyewitness accounts this is the book to read. We were there/

 $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "Remembering the Liberty $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} • is a must read for anyone for whom truth matters. Phil Nelson continues to adroitly place klieg lights on the injustices perpetrated on the American people. Per his want, Mr. Nelson, makes the reader think while he relates a frightening, yet compelling saga. The tragedy of the $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "inadvertent $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} • attack of the USS Liberty needs to see the light of day if we are ever going to drain the swamp. Once again wordsmith Phil Nelson hits a home run.Geo Santayana philosophized $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} "Those who do not remember the past are condemned to repeat it. $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$ \hat{a} $\neg\tilde{A}$ \hat{A} •

I give this book 5 stars because there is no provision for giving it 6. It is a story of perfidy, murder, and complicity carried out by a psychotic president and high ranking naval officers who sold their shipmates out for 30 pieces of silver. This book has shaken my faith in our country more than any

other. Emails to a US Senator and a former president on behalf of the Liberty crew have never been answered.

Mandatory reading for anybody interested in America's safety and well being. Our nation is asleep and needs to wake up and pay attention to what our "elected leaders" in Washington are involved in. The power of the foreign lobbyists is underrated and endangers our international standing and leadership. This book is a serious wake up call for all red-white and blue patriotic Americans.

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