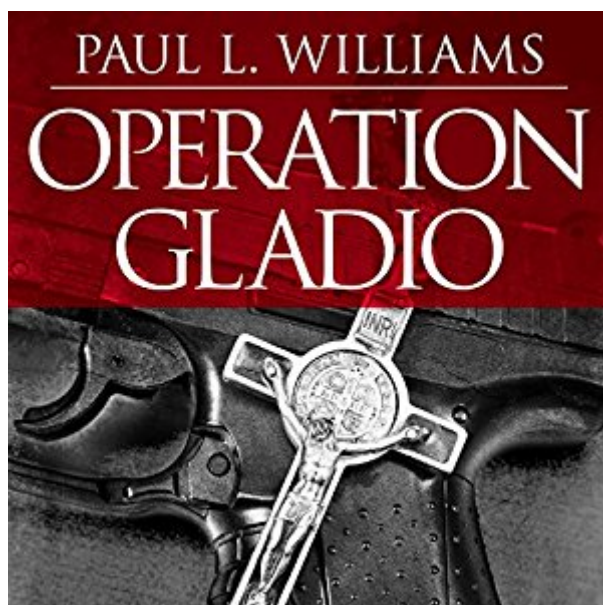


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# Operation Gladio: The Unholy Alliance Between The Vatican, The CIA, And The Mafia



## Synopsis

In this disturbing exposé, journalist Paul L. Williams describes a secret alliance forged at the close of World War II by the CIA, the Sicilian and US mafias, and the Vatican to thwart the possibility of a Communist invasion of Europe. Williams presents evidence suggesting the existence, in many European countries, of "stay-behind" units consisting of 5,000 to 15,000 military operatives. The initial funding for these guerrilla armies came from bogus British bank notes and the sale of large stocks of SS morphine that had been smuggled out of Germany and Italy. As the Cold War intensified, the units were used not only to ward off possible invaders but also to thwart the rise of left-wing movements in South America and NATO-based countries by terror attacks. Williams argues that Operation Gladio soon gave rise to the toppling of governments, wholesale genocide, the formation of death squads, financial scandals on a grand scale, the creation of the mujahideen, an international narcotics network, and, most recently, the ascendancy of Jorge Mario Bergoglio, a Jesuit cleric with strong ties to Operation Condor (an outgrowth of Gladio in Argentina) as Pope Francis I.

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## Customer Reviews

This is Williams at his best. There's no one who can assemble voluminous information and tie it together like he can. I was fortunate to get an advance copy of this book and I thoroughly enjoyed it. The format was terrific because it made it easy for the reader to follow. There is a list of people, "leading rogues" as the author calls them, a chronology as well as a list of abbreviations to which

the reader can refer. It is also written in short sections so you can pick it up and not have to wait until the end of the chapter to put it down. I won't kid you, though, this is a heady read with a lot of critical information to digest but it flowed very well. Two thumbs up.

All I can say is wow. This is a book that every concerned American should read. Instead of the lies told in our schools today, students should be reading Operation Gladio. What's truly sad is that most of Europe and the rest of the world already knows about Operation Gladio. It's only in the USA that we're all in the dark. And you are forced to ask yourself after reading this, 'why weren't we informed at all about this? Why didn't our Congress even have a say (or did they?) in these momentous and horrible atrocities and events that happened in Europe after WWII? The information in this book is why Gary Webb was 'suicided'. It takes a brave man to publish this, and my hat goes off to Paul Williams for doing so. The information is not subject to discussion--everything he says is backed up by the results of FOIA requests and 1st hand sources, all copiously footnoted. My only caveat of this book is it is incomplete. Sure, it tells all about a specific operation, which, while operating for a long time (and probably still), it is missing the overall picture. When you've finished the book, one is left thinking, 'well, this is obviously the same modus operandi as the Iran Contra, and you can smell the same level of evil pragmatism in the Kennedy assassination (I mean, it was/is the irrational fear of communism overtaking the world that is why Kennedy was assassinated, since he was trying to stop the ridiculous cold war with Russia). It remains that there is still a very evil and nefarious shadow govt in control of a large portion of our foreign policy, and of critical portions of our govt overall. Any concerned American knows there is something seriously wrong with 9/11. Heck, there was yet another consuming fire in a hi-rise building (in Malaysia). where though portions of the building were gutted from the fire, the building managed to remain standing. Heck, you can \*see\* the naked steel beams after the fire was extinguished. Yet, we're being told to believe that somehow, the steel managed to melt in not one, not even two, but THREE buildings(!!!!!!!), one of which wasn't even hit by a freaking plane! How stupid does our gov't think we are? Obviously stupid enough, since it's been 14 years, and still there is no real investigation of what happened. And mark my words, if we do not get to the bottom of these evil acts, we are doomed to have them be repeated. If you truly want to know what our shadow gov't is up to, this book is a must read. Just understand that what this book tells is what kinds of evil acts our alphabet agencies are capable of (Of course, Operation Northwoods, Iran Contra, ad nauseum, are excellent examples of that too, but Kennedy managed to nix that evil act), and that they're still out there doing acts of evil, in the name of our country, and by proxy, in each of our names. But if you want to start down the rabbit hole of

why the world is such a mess today, this book is a must read. If you care a whit about what goes on in our country, this book is a must read. It would also be an incredibly enjoyable read, if it wasn't freaking true. Every US citizen needs to read this book.

This is an immensely important work, not only to learn the history you were never taught in public school curriculum but also to gain an understanding of how the world works. Even though most of the book deals with past events, it brings everything full circle to show that the modus operandi of the shadow government has not changed. By learning what has taken place, it is blatantly obvious that the same continues to this day and provides significant insight into what really goes on within foreign policy, banking, finance, international relations and just about every other relevant topic we see in the news every day. I cannot recommend this book highly enough. Very engaging and copiously footnoted and indexed. I agree with other reviews that commend the author for his courage in publishing this work. Paul Williams has done a great service in his bravery to write the astounding truth.

Should be required reading for all those who believe the U.S. government and the occupant of the Vatican can do no wrong! This book details a truly unholy alliance between the CIA, the Vatican, and the Mafia dating back at least to the end of World War II which resulted in untold death, suffering, financial loss, and hypocrisy. The participants encouraged the worldwide drug culture, used the Vatican bank to launder billions of dollars produced by the Mafia and the CIA from drug sources, and quickly killed off anyone who questioned their activities or tried to bring public attention to their criminality! Most of the worst offenders operated openly and with no remorse, knowing they were protected either by their diplomatic or theological superiors. A cautionary tale that should serve as a template for any government seeking to correct past abuses by those in power or to prevent future recurrences of a similar nature by those intent upon using such power for themselves or to further some notion of right or necessity.

What we Americans were afraid to read/hear, sadly. Backed up by thousands of references - in excruciating detail. Heard about this on late-night radio. The read, while sickening, is fascinating. I won't recount the story/plot, as that's available, above. It left me with a decidedly different perspective about our country, our government and its perverted/diverted morality. Still, I suppose it's better to realize the truth ... and to understand why foreigners perceive us as they do, than to wallow in delusion, as we have been conditioned to do ... by the government and our media. I find

the notion that some 'leading Americans' would prey upon a vulnerable segment of society to fund what would not stand the test of public scrutiny ... abhorrent. Government morality? ... fagetaboutit !!!

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