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Editorial Review

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In his latest thriller, best-selling Patterson tackles the possibility of a nuclear threat from al-Qaeda. Set just prior to the tenth anniversary of 9/11, the novel opens with shadowy al-Qaeda operative Amer Al Zaroor outlining a plan to steal a nuclear weapon from Pakistan. Young CIA agent Brooke Chandler, who was stationed in Lebanon before his cover was blown, begins to suspect that an attack is coming. He alerts his superiors, who are somewhat skeptical about Brooke's certainties that the bomb is actually intended for Israel, not America, and that al Qaeda will be deploying it from the heart of Hizbullah territory in Lebanon. Patterson does an excellent job of delineating the very complex politics in the Middle East from all sides, but the result is that the book is more informative than it is pulse-pounding. There is far more talking than action. But the threat Patterson imagines is frighteningly realistic, and the result is a thoroughly engrossing look at a complex and volatile region. **HIGH-DEMAND BACKSTORY:** The timeliness and alarming intensity of the topic will make this an especially hot book from the author of eight respected international bestsellers. -- Kristine Huntley

Review

"THE DEVIL'S LIGHT dazzles and illuminates, a page-turner that smartly and in breath-taking fashion snaps to life the complexities of the middle east and the struggle of nations and players for power. The books literally barrels along as the stakes grow ever higher. Deeply researched and thoroughly plausible, Patterson's is one of the most intelligent and entertaining thrillers about the world as it is, and the possible world to come."

--Doug Stanton, author of "Horse Soldiers" and "In Harm's Way"

"The Devil's Light" will grab you from the very first page and never let go. Patterson's amazing storytelling is made all the better by his emotionally complex characters. I was intrigued."

-Kathy Reichs, #1 New York Times best-selling author of "206 Bones"

"Impossible to dismiss as mere fiction, THE DEVIL'S LIGHT is a terrifying vision of what very well could bring down our world as we know it. With its real-life spies locked in a deathly struggle, this thrillingly told novel is all too real."

--Robert Baer, former CIA field officer and "New York Times" bestselling author

"A nuclear bomb is about to explode in a major city whose streets will turn bright with the light of a thousand suns. In this brilliant novel, Richard North Patterson slips into the minds of the mad and messianic and explores what it will mean for all of us if we allow an apocalyptic nightmare to become tomorrow's history-bending reality.

THE DEVIL'S LIGHT is more than the provocative ruminations of a master story teller. It is a powerful call to action--lest we find ourselves sifting through the radiated wreckage of a truth told too late.

Masterful and illuminating, THE DEVIL'S LIGHT is Richard North Patterson at his best. You will not want, or be able to, put this story down. It is tomorrow's catastrophe riding on the 'gleaming wings of science.'"

--William S. Cohen, former Secretary of Defense

About the Author

Richard North Patterson is the author of *In the Name of Honor*, *The Spire*, *Exile*, and fifteen other bestselling and critically acclaimed novels. Formerly a trial lawyer, he was the SEC liaison to the Watergate special prosecutor and has served on the boards of several Washington advocacy groups. He lives in Martha's Vineyard, San Francisco, and Cabo San Lucas with his wife.

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