

# Access Free I Was Saddams Son Pdf For Free

**Saddam** Jul 27 2020 An unprecedented biography, drawn from the author's exclusive access to high-ranking defectors, intelligence officials, and even Saddam's own relatives -- fully illustrated with photos from his early life to the present Two weeks before September 11, 2001, Saddam Hussein placed his troops on their highest military alert since the Gulf War. As al-Qaeda terrorists set their attacks on America in motion, the Iraqi dictator was prepared to go to war for a second time with the United States. How did an illegitimate child from Tikrit become the West's greatest adversary, and one of the most dangerous and murderous dictators of modern times? *Saddam: King of Terror* is the most insightful and illuminating portrait of the Iraqi president to date-and a fascinating study of the making of a tyrant. Con Coughlin, executive editor of London's award-winning *Sunday Telegraph*, has covered the Middle East for decades -- on the front lines, narrowly escaping kidnapping and violence. He has cultivated exclusive contacts among the Western intelligence community and numerous defectors from Saddam's inner circles -- including former generals, political associates, and bodyguards as well as childhood friends. Coughlin knew immediately that American and British declarations of war against terrorism after the September 11th attacks would sooner rather than later encompass Saddam Hussein as well as Osama bin Laden. Coughlin shows that any operation against terrorism will be incomplete as long as Saddam remains in power -- that international policies will have to change from cautious tolerance to active

intervention, a change that is already becoming a reality. Coughlin also provides the first complete portrait of Saddam's childhood ever published, compiled from the author's inter-views with Saddam's contemporaries and relatives who have never before spoken publicly about him According to Coughlin, Saddam has a younger sister no one knew about, and he idolizes his mother, although his childhood was deeply marred by his shame about being fatherless. From his earliest years, he looked to his mother's brother as a father figure, and Coughlin tells how it was this uncle who first introduced Saddam to a life of crime and political rebellion. *Saddam: King of Terror* meticulously traces Saddam's bloody rise to power, from Saddam's first murder and his time in prison, to an eyewitness account of Saddam storming Iraq's presidential palace in a tank, to his almost feral ruthlessness in disposing of his opponents, even close friends and relatives, to create his regime -- a complex mechanism in which family and tribe are central, held together by Saddam's carefully orchestrated reign of fear. In *Saddam: King of Terror*, we see both the bizarre, almost pathological behavior of an international pariah and the unshakable power of a tyrant who has defied the world's censure and holds a nation in his grasp.

*The Devil's Double* Nov 23 2022 *THE DEVIL'S DOUBLE*: is the first of 3 autobiographical books chronicling Latif Yahia's incredible life-story. It vividly describes how Latif was forced to become Uday Hussein's 'fidai' (body-double) and gives a unique insight into the extreme extravagance and cruelty of the Saddam regime. Latif survived assassination attempts and witnessed Uday's psychotic temper, rapes, orgy parties, torture atrocities, and sadistic murders. The book has recently been made into a highly-acclaimed movie. Book Description: In 1987, Latif Yahia was taken to Saddam's headquarters to meet Uday, Saddam's eldest son, and told that a great honour had been bestowed upon him: that because of the great likeness between them, he had been chosen to be Uday's

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**Saddam Hussein's Ba'th Party** Sep 09 2021 A unique and revealing portrait of Saddam Hussein's Iraq which was every bit as authoritarian and brutal as Stalin's Russia or Mao's China.

*The Weight of a Mustard Seed* Dec 20 2019 "A masterly and elegantly told story that weaves together the Iraqi past and present." —New York Times Book Review "A first-class investigation...that tells the reader more about the tensions of living close to power in Saddam's

dictatorship.” —Washington Post *The Weight of a Mustard Seed* is an unprecedented and intimate account of Iraqi life under Saddam Hussein’s brutal regime, revealed through the tragic story of one of the dictator’s loyal generals. Journalist Wendell Steavenson writes thrilling nonfiction with a novelist’s flair, offering a new perspective on life inside a totalitarian regime that is as moving, compelling, and dramatic as *The Kite Runner* and *The Bookseller of Kabul*.

**Saddam Hussein** Nov 11 2021 Examines the life and rule of the leader of Iraq, from his childhood, through his rise to power, the Iran-Iraq War, the first Gulf War, to his end of power.

"Saddam is Iraq Jan 01 2021

*The Prisoner in His Palace* Jul 19 2022 In the tradition of *In Cold Blood* and *The Executioner’s Song*, this haunting, insightful, and surprisingly intimate portrait of Saddam Hussein provides “a brief, but powerful, meditation on the meaning of evil and power” (USA TODAY). The “captivating” (Military Times) *The Prisoner in His Palace* invites us to take a journey with twelve young American soldiers in the summer of 2006. Shortly after being deployed to Iraq, they learn their assignment: guarding Saddam Hussein in the months before his execution. Living alongside, and caring for, their “high value detainee and regularly transporting him to his raucous trial, many of the men begin questioning some of their most basic assumptions—about the judicial process, Saddam’s character, and the morality of modern war. Although the young soldiers’ increasingly intimate conversations with the once-feared dictator never lead them to doubt his responsibility for unspeakable crimes, the men do discover surprising new layers to his psyche that run counter to the media’s portrayal of him. Woven from firsthand accounts provided by many of the American guards, government officials, interrogators, scholars, spies, lawyers, family members, and victims, *The Prisoner in His Palace* shows two Saddams coexisting in one person: the defiant tyrant who uses torture and murder as

tools, and a shrewd but contemplative prisoner who exhibits surprising affection, dignity, and courage in the face of looming death. In this thought-provoking narrative, Saddam, known as the “man without a conscience,” gets many of those around him to examine theirs. “A singular study exhibiting both military duty and human compassion” (Kirkus Reviews), *The Prisoner in His Palace* grants us “a behind-the-scenes look at history that’s nearly impossible to put down...a mesmerizing glimpse into the final moments of a brutal tyrant’s life” (BookPage).

*The Reckoning* Oct 30 2020 An account of the forces-historical, religious, ethnic, and political-that produced Saddam Hussein's dictatorship.

**A Poisonous Affair** Jun 25 2020 In March 1988, during the Iran-Iraq war, thousands were killed in a chemical attack in a remote town in Iraqi Kurdistan. In the aftermath of the horror, confusion reigned over who had carried it out, each side accusing the other in the ongoing bloodbath of the Iran-Iraq war. As the fog lifted, the responsibility of Saddam Hussein's regime was revealed, and with it the tacit support of Iraq's western allies. This book, by a veteran observer of human rights in the Middle East, tells the story of the gassing of Halabja. It shows how Iraq was able to develop ever-more sophisticated chemical weapons and target Iranian soldiers and Kurdish villagers as America looked the other way. Today, as Iraq disintegrates and the Middle East sinks further into turmoil, these policies are coming back to haunt America and the West.

**Hypnotizing the Devil** Apr 04 2021 This is a story no one else can tell as no American was allowed in Iraq from 1991 until the Iraqi war began in 2003. Everyone remembers where they were on September 11, 2001. Larry Garrett a hypnotist from Chicago was in a heavily guarded palace in Baghdad with Uday Hussein. This was a place which required a person to pass three armed guard posts with machine guns pointed at him each visit as he arrived to hypnotize one of the most feared

and hated men in the world. Guards continually paced in front while Larry Garrett was with Uday Hussein in his palace.

*Saddam Hussein: A Life from Beginning to End* Mar 23 2020 Saddam Hussein From his humble beginnings as a farmhand working on tribal Iraqi land to becoming the president of Iraq for more than two decades, Saddam Hussein

**Saddam Hussein** Sep 28 2020 'A brilliant Arab-Western examination. Written with pace, detail, and a host of witnesses and sources' Sunday Tribune

Zabiba and the King Aug 08 2021 "This is an allegorical love story set in the mid-600s to the early 700s between a mighty king (Saddam) and a simple, yet beautiful commoner named Zabiba (the Iraqi people). Zabiba is married to a cruel and unloving husband (the United States) who forces himself upon her."--P. [4] of cover.

**Escape from Saddam** Jan 21 2020 An Iraqi-born actor raised in England describes how a visit to his homeland led to his being conscripted into the Iraqi army and selected for Saddam's elite intelligence service, driving him to make a desperate escape from his native land, only to be forced to make a dangerous decision to rescue his imprisoned family and bring them to safety. 30,000 first printing.

**The Bomb in My Garden** Oct 10 2021 Praise for *The Bomb in My Garden* "This one book will tell you more about Iraq's quest for weapons of mass destruction than all U.S. intelligence on the subject. It is a fascinating and rare glimpse inside Saddam Hussein's Iraq-and inside a tyrant's mind." -Fareed Zakaria author of *The Future of Freedom* "The Bomb in My Garden is important and utterly gripping. The old cliché is true-you start reading, and you don't want to stop. Mahdi Obeidi's story makes clear how hard Saddam Hussein tried to develop a nuclear weapon, and the reasons he



fell short. It is also unforgettable as a picture of how honorable people tried to cope with a despot's demands. I enthusiastically recommend this book." -James Fallows National Correspondent, The Atlantic Monthly "Obeidi was the key scientist in Saddam's centrifuge program, and he was central when they tried to conceal it. He was already thought to be too friendly to the weapons inspectors, and he showed considerable personal courage in coming forward as he did during very unsettled conditions after the war." -David Kay former UN weapons inspector and Head of the Iraqi Survey Group in charge of searching for weapons of mass destruction

**I was Saddam's Son** Feb 26 2023 As the stand-in for one of Iraq's most powerful and hated men, he participated in affairs of state, made public appearances, and, during the Gulf War, visited the troops on the front lines while Uday stayed safely in Switzerland. He also saw firsthand the horrors and absurdities of a regime based on corruption and intrigue. He was privy to unbridled scenes of debauchery, and witnessed repeated instances of torture, terror, rape, and murder.

**Saddam's War** Aug 28 2020 Includes detailed and edited transcripts of interviews with General Hamdani as well as a summary of insights as interpreted by the interviewers.

**The Black Hole, This book is a sequel to The Devil's Double, which was made into a feature film of the same name** Aug 20 2022 Book Description: The Black Hole has been banned in Ireland and USA Book Shops.. is the next chapter in the extraordinary and chilling life story of author Latif Yahia. Having escaped the brutal Iraqi regime through Northern Iraq with the help of the CIA in 1992, Latif touched down in Austria. Having family in the pristine and picturesque city of Vienna, Latif is somewhat reassured that his life will be calmer now without Uday Saddam Hussein and his hedonistically violent lifestyle. Alongside Latif is Nusa, a hired girl, a plaything and ego boost for her Baghdadi clientele, although she has never been mentioned in Latif's past works the reasons for her

concealment become apparent as the story unfolds. Unfortunately life was never to become the idyll that Latif desired, his knowledge or perceived knowledge of the inner Iraqi regime was to become his saviour and his tormentor. This, left him chained and unable to move forward, as much as he wished to forget, his handlers wanted to know more. Latif became almost a prized item in the world of International Intelligence with nearly all of the world's Intelligence agencies vying for his allegiance, his pleas for neutrality and normality unheard. Ultimately Latif was to pay the price for his uncooperative stance; ten and a half months were spent in a covert Austrian/CIA prison cell in solitary confinement, until by chance his freedom was assured by a visiting judge. One would think that after such events Latif's life may take a quieter turn, this was not to be the case, the game of cat and mouse that played out across the breadth of Europe was interspersed by the tragic death of Latif's beloved father, several assassination attempts and the murder of his first real love a Saudi Arabian Princess Latif Yahia's previous books have sold over one million copies worldwide in twenty languages.

Mayada, Daughter of Iraq Apr 23 2020 A member of one of the most distinguished and honored families in Iraq, Mayada grew up surrounded by wealth and royalty. But when Saddam Hussein's regime took power, she was thrown into cell 52 in the infamous Baladiyat prison with seventeen other nameless, faceless women from all walks of life. To ease their suffering, these "shadow women" passed each day by sharing their life stories. Now, through Jean Sasson, Mayada is finally able to tell her story—and theirs—to the world.

**Saddam's Secrets** Mar 15 2022 Georges Sada was one of Saddam's top generals and foremost military advisors. A truth-teller in a government that made the truth dangerous. A devout Christian in a Muslim country. And a man who would stand up for what was right?even at the risk of his own

life. In this eye-opening exposé, General Sada shares his bizarre yet amazing journey as an insider to one of history's most sinister regimes. He also, for the first time, reveals the disturbing truth about Saddam's plots to destroy Israel, hide weapons of mass destruction and overtake the Arab world. As an eye witness to history, Sada paints a painfully truthful picture of Hussein and his country that is at once personal and alarming, truthful and compelling, candid and sobering. It is a story guaranteed to send shock waves around the world.

**Hunting Down Saddam** Feb 14 2022 How Did We Get Him? This authoritative and gripping account takes readers into the real and personal story of the United States forces in Iraq, and their successful maneuvers in capturing one of the most vicious dictators of our time. *Hunting Down Saddam* contains up-to-the-minute material and provides never-before-heard accounts of the triumphs and frustrations, strategies and attacks, of those who put their lives at risk to track down Saddam Hussein. \*The first book to tell the whole story of the pursuit of Saddam, from prewar to his capture \*Candid accounts straight from the soldiers on the frontline, which have not been sanitized or filtered through the media, the military, or the Pentagon \*Exclusive interviews with key military leaders, including Colonel "Smokin' Joe" Anderson, Commanding Officer of the 2nd Brigade, 101st Airborne (Screaming Eagles), who led the attack on Saddam's sons Action-packed and controversial, *Hunting Down Saddam* teems with inside information. Best-selling author Robin Moore gets the real story from these fighting men as only he can. The capture of Saddam Hussein is the defining event for this generation's military and now it is fully detailed in this riveting book.

**Saddam: King of Terror** Apr 16 2022 Insightful, penetrating, and shocking, the defining biography of Iraq's deposed tyrant Drawing on an unparalleled network of sources, contacts, and firsthand testimonies, Con Coughlin takes us to the center of Saddam Hussein's complex, bewildering regime -

- and beyond. Fully updated and revised, *Saddam: His Rise and Fall* meticulously describes how Hussein took power and immediately set about controlling every aspect of Iraqi life. Coughlin examines Hussein's regime both before and after its fall, exploring the contradictions of Saddam's private life: his sponsoring of Islamic fundamentalism while whiskey drinking and womanizing as well as his reliance on and celebration of family negated by his violent and temperamental treatment of them. With evidence from family members, servants, and staff, *Saddam: His Rise and Fall* is unique in its close-up representation of this elusive and secretive world. In all-new chapters and an epilogue, and with shocking new disclosures, Coughlin also vividly recounts the last few months of Saddam's reign and his eventual capture by American forces.

*Saddam Hussein - the Butcher of Baghdad* May 25 2020 Biography of Saddam Hussein, the President of Iraq from 1979 until 2003.

[The Devil's Double Original Book](#) Dec 24 2022 THE DEVIL'S DOUBLE: is the first of 3 autobiographical books chronicling Latif Yahia's incredible life story. It vividly describes how Latif was forced to become Uday Hussein's 'fidai' (body double) and gives a unique insight into the extreme extravagance and cruelty of the Saddam regime. Latif survived assassination attempts and witnessed Uday's psychotic temper, rapes, orgy parties, torture atrocities, and sadistic murders. The book has recently been made into a highly acclaimed movie. THE BLACK HOLE: gives a fascinating account of what happened to Latif in Europe after he escaped from Iraq. How he was treated by western governments and the CIA. How Uday sought revenge on Latif and vice-versa. How he was offered a British passport by Saudis to murder a dissident and how they beheaded Latif's Saudi princess lover. How Latif made and lost a fortune. How he strived in vain for a peaceful life and survived 4 more assassination attempts. *Forty Shades of Conspiracy*: brings Latif's story right up to

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**Raid on the Sun** Jul 07 2021 The first authorized inside account of one of the most daring—and successful—military operations in recent history From the earliest days of his dictatorship, Saddam Hussein had vowed to destroy Israel. So when France sold Iraq a top-of-the-line nuclear reactor in 1975, the Israelis were justifiably concerned—especially when they discovered that Iraqi scientists had already formulated a secret program to extract weapons-grade plutonium from the reactor, a first critical step in creating an atomic bomb. The reactor formed the heart of a huge nuclear plant

situated twelve miles from Baghdad, 1,100 kilometers from Tel Aviv. By 1981, the reactor was on the verge of becoming “hot,” and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin knew he would have to confront its deadly potential. He turned to Israeli Air Force commander General David Ivry to secretly plan a daring surgical strike on the reactor—a never-before-contemplated mission that would prove to be one of the most remarkable military operations of all time. Written with the full and exclusive cooperation of the Israeli Air Force high command, General Ivry (ret.), and all of the eight mission pilots (including Ilan Ramon, who became Israel’s first astronaut and perished tragically in the shuttle Columbia disaster), *Raid on the Sun* tells the extraordinary story of how Israel plotted the unthinkable: defying its U.S. and European allies to eliminate Iraq’s nuclear threat. In the tradition of *Black Hawk Down*, journalist Rodger Claire re-creates a gripping tale of personal sacrifice and survival, of young pilots who trained in the United States on the then-new, radically sophisticated F-16 fighter bombers, then faced a nearly insurmountable challenge: how to fly the 1,000-plus-kilometer mission to Baghdad and back on one tank of fuel. He recounts Israeli intelligence’s incredible “black ops” to sabotage construction on the French reactor and eliminate Iraqi nuclear scientists, and he gives the reader a pilot’s-eye view of the action on June 7, 1981, when the planes roared off a runway on the Sinai Peninsula for the first successful destruction of a nuclear reactor in history.

Saddam's Horses Sep 21 2022 Early 2003, tensions between the US and Iraq are rising; the talk of war is more and more common. In a last-ditch effort, the State Department, under the direction of Assistant Director, Jim Peterson, implements some cultural and social programs, in an effort to win the hearts and minds of the Iraqi people, thereby easing the political tension. One of these programs is a western-style school for girls and women that offer English, computer and business skills, as

well as art and literature. Jim asks a former State Department employee's daughter, Reanna Malloy, an expert in Mideast language and culture, to head the school. However, Jim has other reasons for choosing Reanna; she also happens to be a nationally ranked equestrian. Uday Hussein, Saddam's eldest son, is in charge of the palace stables. He is a renowned owner and breeder of some of the most valuable horses in the world. It is also believed, by US intelligence, that Uday is in charge of the WMDs (Weapons of Mass Destruction) and, in fact, many reports indicate that some are stored in the royal stables. As a favor to Jim Peterson, Colin McLeod, former Navy SEAL, now reluctant CEO of his family's oil business, agrees to one last government assignment: to protect Reanna Malloy and help her gain access to the royal stables, in order to see if it's possible for WMDs to be hidden there. Set against the backdrop of the months leading up to the Iraqi War and into the War, Reanna and Colin try, but fail to fight off their attraction to each other as it explodes into a beautiful and lusty love affair. Together, they try their best to stave off a war and in the process, get caught up in the sanguinary politics between the US and Iraq, leaving them, like the countries, scarred and torn apart. Will they be able to heal their wounds and find their way back into each other's arms?

**The Hangman of Abu Ghraib** May 05 2021 It tells the inside story of all the torture and executions that took place in Abu Ghraib under both the Saddam and American regimes as seen through the eyes of one man - the man who personally assassinated, tortured, hanged and shot more victims than any other man who has ever lived. It will surprise and shock readers and governments alike. Brace yourself - the giant of a man with his scarred face and the hangman's noose in his hands will soon be ready and waiting for you. Short Description of The Hangman of Abu Ghraib Abed Ali was born a poor peasant boy who worked on a farm in Iraq. He grew up to become the most deadly assassin and prolific executioner the world has ever known. This book gives a psychological insight into the mind

of a man ordered to kill or be killed himself. The ruthlessness of the Ba'ath Party regime under a dictator. The inhumanity of the American invaders under the promise of 'freedom and democracy'. It is the true story of one man's life. And the deaths of thousands of others. One man. Two regimes. The same order from both... KILL FOR US OR BE KILLED BY US..

*Saddam Hussein Saved the Life of My Children* Oct 18 2019

*Hypnotizing the Devil* Oct 22 2022 Everyone remembers where they were during the September 11 attacks in New York. Larry Garrett, a Chicago hypnotist, will never forget, since he was in Saddam Hussein's palace in Baghdad with Uday Hussein, Saddam's eldest son. After an assassination attempt on Uday's life, Larry Garrett was brought in to help with the recovery from the mental and physical pain. Larry writes about his account of dealing with the man often referred to as a psychopath, the CIA, a palace full of guards with machine guns, and visiting Babylon. The conversations about American culture and Uday Hussein's very surprising views, to getting the behind the scenes account at the palace as a World War begins. Larry's account of being the only American allowed into Iraq and hypnotizing the son of the most feared family in the World, will keep you in suspense. Larry Garrett has been in practice since 1968, operating the largest hypnosis centre in Chicago. He has received nationwide recognition for his outstanding contributions in hypnosis, including the 1991 Metzinger Award (which has only been presented six times) for contributions to the field of hypnosis.

**The Poet of Baghdad** Nov 30 2020 In the winter of 1979 Nabeel Yasin, Iraq's most famous young poet, gathered together a handful of belongings and fled Iraq with his wife and son. Life in Baghdad had become intolerable. Silenced by a series of brutal beatings at the hands of the Ba'ath Party's Secret Police and declared an "enemy of the state," he faced certain death if he stayed. Nabeel had



grown up in the late 1950s and early '60s in a large and loving family, amid the domestic drama typical of Iraq's new middle class, with his mother Sabria working as a seamstress to send all of her seven children to college. As his story unfolds, Nabeel meets his future wife and finds his poetic voice while he is a student. But Saddam's rise to power ushers in a new era of repression, imprisonment and betrayal from which few families will escape intact. In this new climate of intimidation and random violence Iraqis live in fear and silence; yet Nabeel's mother tells him "It is your duty to write." His poetry, a blend of myth and history, attacks the regime determined to silence him. As Nabeel's fame and influence as a poet grows, he is forced into hiding when the Party begins to dismantle the city's infrastructure and impose power cuts and food rationing. Two of his brothers are already in prison and a third is used as a human minesweeper on the frontline of the Iran-Iraq war. After six months in hiding, Nabeel escapes with his wife and young son to Beirut, Paris, Prague, Budapest, and finally England. Written by Jo Tatchell, a journalist who has spent many years in the Middle East and who is a close friend of Nabeel Yasin's, *Nabeel's Song* is the gripping story of a family and its fateful encounter with history. From a warm, lighthearted look at the Yasin family before the Saddam dictatorship, to the tale of Nabeel's persecution and daring flight, and the suspense-filled account of his family's rebellion against Saddam's regime, *Nabeel's Song* is an intimate, illuminating, deeply human chronicle of a country and a culture devastated by political repression and war.

*The Satanic Verses* Jun 06 2021 Just before dawn one winter's morning, a hijacked jetliner explodes above the English Channel. Through the falling debris, two figures, Gibreel Farishta, the biggest star in India, and Saladin Chamcha, an expatriate returning from his first visit to Bombay in fifteen years, plummet from the sky, washing up on the snow-covered sands of an English beach, and proceed

through a series of metamorphoses, dreams, and revelations.

**Debriefing the President** Jun 18 2022 Debriefing the President presents an astounding, candid portrait of one of our era's most notorious strongmen. John Nixon, the first man to conduct a prolonged interrogation of Hussein after his capture, offers expert insight into the history and mind of America's most enigmatic enemy. In December 2003, after one of the largest, most aggressive manhunts in history, US military forces captured Iraqi president Saddam Hussein near his hometown of Tikrit. Beset by body-double rumors and false alarms during a nine-month search, the Bush administration needed positive identification of the prisoner before it could make the announcement that would rocket around the world. At the time, John Nixon was a senior CIA leadership analyst who had spent years studying the Iraqi dictator. Called upon to make the official ID, Nixon looked for telltale scars and tribal tattoos and asked Hussein a list of questions only he could answer. The man was indeed Saddam Hussein, but as Nixon learned in the ensuing weeks, both he and America had greatly misunderstood just who Saddam Hussein really was. After years of parsing Hussein's leadership from afar, Nixon faithfully recounts his debriefing sessions and subsequently strips away the mythology surrounding an equally brutal and complex man. His account is not an apology, but a sobering examination of how preconceived ideas led Washington policymakers—and the Bush White House—astray. Unflinching and unprecedented, Debriefing the President exposes a fundamental misreading of one of the modern world's most central figures and presents a new narrative that boldly counters the received account.

[Going to War with Iraq](#) Mar 03 2021 [Going to War with Iraq: A Comparative History of the Bush Presidencies](#) is the account of two United States presidents and their decision to intervene militarily in Iraq, examining the comparative domestic and international contexts in which the decisions to go

to war were made by George H. W. Bush and his son George W. Bush. This book centers specifically on the issue of Saddam Hussein at home and abroad, in the lead up to hostilities with Iraq in 1991 and 2003, respectively. For George H.W. Bush, in 1991, the threat posed by Saddam came from his perceived capabilities as Iraq's leader, whereas for George W. Bush, in 2003, it was the threat posed by Saddam's perceived intentions as Iraq's leader. In both cases, the result was war with Iraq.

State of Repression Jan 13 2022 A new account of modern Iraqi politics that overturns the conventional wisdom about its sectarian divisions How did Iraq become one of the most repressive dictatorships of the late twentieth century? The conventional wisdom about Iraq's modern political history is that the country was doomed by its diverse social fabric. But in *State of Repression*, Lisa Blaydes challenges this belief by showing that the country's breakdown was far from inevitable. At the same time, she offers a new way of understanding the behavior of other authoritarian regimes and their populations. Drawing on archival material captured from the headquarters of Saddam Hussein's ruling Ba'th Party in the wake of the 2003 US invasion, Blaydes illuminates the complexities of political life in Iraq, including why certain Iraqis chose to collaborate with the regime while others worked to undermine it. She demonstrates that, despite the Ba'thist regime's pretensions to political hegemony, its frequent reliance on collective punishment of various groups reinforced and cemented identity divisions. At the same time, a series of costly external shocks to the economy—resulting from fluctuations in oil prices and Iraq's war with Iran—weakened the capacity of the regime to monitor, co-opt, coerce, and control factions of Iraqi society. In addition to calling into question the common story of modern Iraqi politics, *State of Repression* offers a new explanation of why and how dictators repress their people in ways that can inadvertently strengthen regime opponents.

**THE DEVIL'S DOUBLE** Jan 25 2023 In 1987, Latif Yahia was taken to Saddam's headquarters to meet Uday, Saddam's eldest son, and told that a great honour has been bestowed upon him: that because of the great likeness between them, he had been chosen to be Uday's double. For many Iraqis, it would have been the highlight of their lives, but for Latif, a peace-loving man who did not agree with Saddam's brutal regime, it was not. He refused. Following a week of torture and realising he would be killed if he continued to refuse, Latif was forced to accept the role. After a gruesome training programme during which he was made to watch over thirty films of torture, hours of tapes of Uday, and undertake a final remodelling of his appearance, Latif was deemed ready. But it was only after the final test, a meeting with Saddam himself, that Latif made his first public appearance. And so began his life as Uday's double - a life on the perimeter of the inner circle of Saddam's eldest son, a witness to the horror of his insane life of debauchery, excess and brutality, and an experience for which he almost paid with his life on more than one occasion. **THE DEVIL'S DOUBLE:** is the first of 3 autobiographical books chronicling Latif Yahia's incredible life story. It vividly describes how Latif was forced to become Uday Hussein's 'fidai' (body double) and gives a unique insight into the extreme extravagance and cruelty of the Saddam regime. Latif survived assassination attempts and witnessed Uday's psychotic temper, rapes, orgy parties, torture atrocities, and sadistic murders. The book has recently been made into a highly acclaimed movie. **THE BLACK HOLE:** gives a fascinating account of what happened to Latif in Europe after he escaped from Iraq. How he was treated by western governments and the CIA. How Uday sought revenge on Latif and vice-versa. How he was offered a British passport by Saudis to murder a dissident and how they beheaded Latif's Saudi princess lover. How Latif made and lost a fortune. How he strived in vain for a peaceful life and survived 4 more assassination attempts. **Forty Shades of Conspiracy:** brings Latif's story right up to

date by detailing his time in Ireland. His run-ins with drug-dealers, Corrupt Irish Garda officers and Irish politicians who continually denied him Irish citizenship. His despair as a beggar on the streets and the happiness he found after he met the love of his life. His reaction to Uday and Saddam's deaths and his opinion on the current political situation in Iraq all makes fascinating reading.

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A note from the Author : This book was written in 1992, originally it was 1,000 pages long with even more facts and details than contained in the pages herein, because of it's size the original publisher trimmed it down to the 300 or so pages that it is today. After the fall of Saddam Hussein and his regime in 2003 the facts in this book were confirmed. Many of Uday Hussein's employees found new masters over the years since my flight from Iraq, some work for the US intelligence services, some for the UK, but no matter how they may try to discredit me and my story the facts remain and as you now know I had already put them on

paper in 1992, eleven years before the regime fell. I did not have a crystal ball to know all these things, I knew them because I was there, that was my life. Uday's employees have admitted in the Western media to being Pimps for him, they also admit to working as spies against him for the US and the UK intelligence services in return for citizenship of the respective country, what I ask is this, If a man is willing to sell women to a man that he knows to be a sadist, if he is willing to sell his country and himself, is it not then conceivable that he will sell his soul and say anything for money? I have paid a high price for my refusal to co-operate with the intelligence services, the CIA in particular, after twenty years in the West I am still stateless, I cannot return to Iraq because the new Government consider me a colaborator of the Hussein regime, although while they were in opposition to Saddam they found my book to be a useful tool against him and his regime. Saddam while in power considered me a traitor. I do not regret my decision to leave Iraq or write my story, but I have not found the Western governments to be as open and democratic as they were portrayed to us in the Middle-East. In my search for a new counry to call home, I have found that those whose story is a fabrication are given the protection of the state as they are no threat, money is their only goal in life so they will not rock the boat', while I, who have an opinion and voice it openly (that is probably my biggest problem) am ignored, refused and while not told to leave am not made especially welcome either, I am tolerated. I do not nor did I ever seek fame, I have not made money from my story and if I do it will go to charity. It amuses me how the tables turn, when Saddam was in power my book was held up in the US Congress and given as a reason for Saddam's removal, now that Saddam is gone those that once used my story for their benefit have tried to denounce me, I have been interviewed by the world's biggest and best names over 1,800 TV, Print and Radio, journalist's who do their research and know who to ask for opinion, the old guard who took pride in

their work and valued their reputation. While there are still some true journalists out there many work to order if their editor wants a specific story they make it, true or not, there is no oversight. Although it was never my intention, this book has been used as propaganda for the War on Iraq, my intention when I wrote it was to open the eyes of the world to the horrors and atrocities committed by the regime and to spur the Iraqi people into action. It will always disturb me that the Iraqi people never had a chance to participate in The Arab Spring and depose Saddam and his regime themselves, It may be a very different place today if they had had the chance to do so. Best regards to all, Latif Yahia .

Sources of Revenue for Saddam & Sons Feb 20 2020 "Reveals the intricacies of Saddam Hussein's vast oil-smuggling network and documents the various means by which he has successfully exploited the United Nations' Oil-for-Food program, the six-year-old vehicle through which Iraq is permitted to sell oil in exchange for civilian goods. Despite the imposition of newly revised, "smarter" UN sanctions on Iraq, Saddam Hussein's personal treasury is expected to earn \$2.5 billion this year, a number expected to grow under the UN program. "Sources of Revenue" makes clear that Hussein could not have earned his hard currency without the energetic connivance of Iraq's neighbors and other self-interested nations, and with the effective complicity of the rest of a passive, oil-dependent international community, which has persistently failed to stanch the money flow to Baghdad. The report points toward a shift in Iraq's illegal trade with its neighbors from a set of informal, on-the-sly deals brokered and controlled mostly by Hussein's elder son Udai, to more brazen and formal, government-to-government arrangements that benefit his younger son Qusai, a top-ranking intelligence and military commander who has supplanted his elder brother as their father's anointed successor. Also discussed in the study are other enterprises masterminded by Hussein and his sons,

from cigarette smuggling to the misuse of the Iraqi Olympic Committee and to the fleecing of Shi'i pilgrims visiting Iraq's holy sites."--CIJ press release.

**Saddam Hussein** Feb 02 2021 Authors Efraim Karsh and Inari Rautsi, experts on Middle East history and politics, have combined their expertise to write what is largely considered the definitive work of one of the world's most reviled and notorious figures. Drawing on a wealth of Iraqi, Arab, Western and Israeli sources, including interviews with people who have had close contact with Saddam Hussein throughout his career, the authors trace the meteoric transformation of an ardent nationalist and obscure Ba'th party member into an absolute dictator. Skillfully interweaving a realistic analysis of Gulf politics and history, and now including a new introduction and epilogue, this authoritative biography is essential for understanding the mind of a modern tyrant.

**Out of the Ashes** Nov 18 2019 An expose of the internal feuds in the CIA that doomed the secret operations to bring down Saddam Hussein. The authors are investigative journalists who covered the story from inside Iraq. They offer insights into the psyche of Saddam and his family, bodyguards and extended tribal family, as well as his weapons of mass destruction.

*Saddam's Bombmaker* May 17 2022 "DON'T TELL ME ABOUT THE LAW. THE LAW IS ANYTHING I WRITE ON A SCRAP OF PAPER." -- SADDAM HUSSEIN In a white-knuckle thriller, Khidhir Hamza, who spent twenty years developing Iraq's atomic weapon, recounts his life in Saddam Hussein's inner circle and his daring flight to the West. Taking readers into the darkest corners of a regime ruled by a volatile, brutal leader, Dr. Hamza, the only defector who has lived to write a firsthand portrait of Iraq, also presents an unprecedented portrait of Saddam -- his drunken rages, his women, his cold-blooded murder of underlings, and his unrivaled power. If pushed to the wall, Saddam will use the bomb that Dr. Hamza helped create. From the relentless dangers Dr. Hamza endured in Iraq



to his harrowing flight across three continents and his first encounter with skeptical CIA agents who turned him away, Saddam's Bombmaker is a true-to-life thriller as rich in danger, intrigue, and personal courage as a well-crafted spy novel.

*Playing Atari with Saddam Hussein* Dec 12 2021 For forty-two days in 1991, eleven-year-old Ali Fadhil and his family struggle to survive as Basra, Iraq, is bombed by the United States and its allies.

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