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**TURKEY SHOOT — A Radical International Conspiracy Literary Thriller**

*Incoming to an online bookstore near you this September 11<sup>th</sup>*

September 11, 2018, Belmont MA USA — In this post-9/11 world, you'll find few political thrillers that give terrorists their due. *Turkey Shoot*, just released as a paperback and eBook by Perfidy Press, aims to fill that void by letting some speak for themselves.

“When, in mid-2015, as refugees flooded into Europe from the Middle East and Africa,” said author Geoffrey Dutton, “the repulsive inhumanity of political leaders wanting to bar them from entry got to me. Their urgent pleas to ward off ‘evildoers’ assumed to lurk amongst these unfortunates were clearly overblown, racist, and prejudicial of Muslims. *All right*, I thought, *I’ll give you your ‘Islamic extremist’ who you say hates democracy and wants to destroy your way of life, and make you weep for him.* Three years and many revisions later, *Turkey Shoot* blows back my rejoinder to islamophobia. No reader will be able to deny that pursuit of empire can spawn the kinds of consequences it dramatizes.”

“Geoffrey Dutton wraps the reader into a first-person scenario, tracking an outsider as he negotiates a maze of twisty streets and untested persons who claim to be allies. The observations of great detail bring the scenes to life along with the contradictions that lie ahead. Expect the unexpected in this fast-paced thriller.”

—Dr. Nick Chrisman, Author, Editor, Geographer, Bellingham WA

*Turkey Shoot* is set in Greece and Turkey in the fall of 2015. It follows the revolutionary path of Mahmoud Al Ramadi, a war-orphaned 23-year-old ex-engineering student from Mosul to Syria to Turkey to Piraeus, Greece. He’s been tapped to take part in a conspiracy to decimate elites at the G-20 summit in Turkey, a plot he only learns of when he meets his new comrades. The devout Iraqi embraces the fraught mission as his jihad, only to have it crumble when police detain the group’s leader. As they squabble about what to do next, winsome Swiss anarchist Katrina latches onto him, steals his heart, and injects herself into their conspiracy, updated to target an autocrat across the Aegean. Pulling this off will take the dark arts of a chemist and a

hacker, a live test of their homemade weapon, and avoiding handcuffs before setting off to fell their elusive target. Mahmoud's thousand-mile odyssey tests his metal, his wits, and his beliefs. All that he experiences edits his articles of faith and just might edit some of yours.

You'll find ingenious improvisations, straight and gay romance, and gritty urban realism in this cinema verité action-packed page-turner that parachutes you into a netherworld of "evildoers" and makes you care and even root for them.

A former academic widely recognized for innovations in digital mapping, Geoffrey Dutton repaired to industry as a developer, analyst and consultant, eventually settling down as a technical communicator telling computer users what they should and shouldn't do. Gnawing unease over the societal costs of high tech led him to quit the biz, whereupon he unlearned expository style and essayed to deconstruct the digital mindset. Over the last six years he has littered the Net with 400 articles, essays, stories and memoirs, most notably at CounterPunch, Medium, and Progressive Pilgrim Review. His obsession with high-tech hijinks shows up on [on his blog](#) and in a short story narrated by a grumpy malware-infested PC in Atthis Arts' anthology *As Told by Things*. Unsurprisingly, *Turkey Shoot*—his first completed novel—also spotlights online malfeasance. Geoff lives in the Boston burbs with his endearing and enduring spouse, their generally awesome daughter, and two overfed and under-exercised pussycats. He enjoys cooking for his family, especially with wild mushrooms that he carts home from tramps in the woods. All are quite well, thank you.

Learn more at <https://perfidy.press/turkey-shoot/> and have an ICE day.

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