



Quick Peeks

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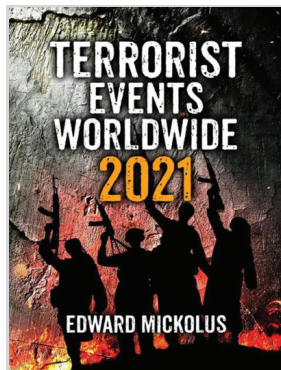
The past year has seen many, many books published that relate to the intelligence field. While reviews in *The Intelligencer* are mostly for non-fiction there are still far more than any reviewer could read. Many of those by major publishing houses get reviewed in national newspapers, CIA's *Studies in Intelligence*, or other scholarly journals. This reviewer tries not to duplicate intentionally what other reviewers have done, but often finds that with *The Intelligencer* only appearing twice a year some duplication occurs nonetheless. Here are some quick peeks at three books that publishers have sent AFIO, which this reviewer has examined but not had the time to thoroughly dissect.



Terrorist Events Worldwide 2021

by Edward Mickolus

Wandering Woods Publishers, 2022, 198 pagewith bibliography, and
Terrorist Events Worldwide 2019-2020, Wandering Woods Publishers,
2021, 405 pages with bibliography.



The 2021 volume is the twentieth in a series documenting terrorism, which Mickolus defines as “the use or threat of use of violence by any individual or group for political purposes.” He overviews regional developments, the activities of key terrorist groups, and the fates of significant terror figures – who was killed and who was captured. This precedes a chronology of terrorist events by continent, country, and date. Mickolus includes domestic terrorism events within the United States, including a lengthy section on the January 6th events at the Capitol.

Terrorist Events Worldwide is a good example of open source exploitation. The series is a good starting point for any research on terrorist events.



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