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"Exceptionally rich and sophisticated in analysis, **Counterterrorism: Reassessing the Policy Response** is a much needed addition to the currently available literature and deserves to be read not only by students and academic specialists, but also by security analysts, policy makers and general readers."

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"The book is an incredible resource of statistical data from around the world; each chapter includes an in-depth reference page that provides insight into geographical regions and the impact terror has on everything from economies to public opinion. Major terror groups, significant acts of terror, and the associated policies are closely examined in an effort to determine their effects."

?Michael D'Angelo, Security Management, ASIS International

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