



The Army and Low Intensity Conflict (Paperback)

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Fortis, 2013. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.During the Cold War, given the threat of the Soviet military poised in Eastern Europe, the Army had to be able to wage armored warfare. The fear of low intensity conflict throughout the Cold War was the fear of bleeding to death from small bites. In this vein low intensity conflict was equivalent to an economy-of-force operation where our adversaries struck at us in our most vulnerable areas - terrorism, subversion, and insurgency. But, the challenge of low intensity conflict transcended the Cold War. The Soviets are gone, but the style of conflict remains: the security environment of the future may look more like the urban hell of Beirut, Sarajevo, or Baghdad where hand-held missiles and crude homemade bombs threaten air and ground movement, and more like the jungles of Vietnam or the mountains of Afghanistan, where the physical and human terrain negates or reduces the effectiveness of heavy weapons and high technology devices. Despite a large number of works that dealt with some aspect of low intensity conflict, none focused exclusively on the evolution of the Army's response to this security challenge. Understanding...



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