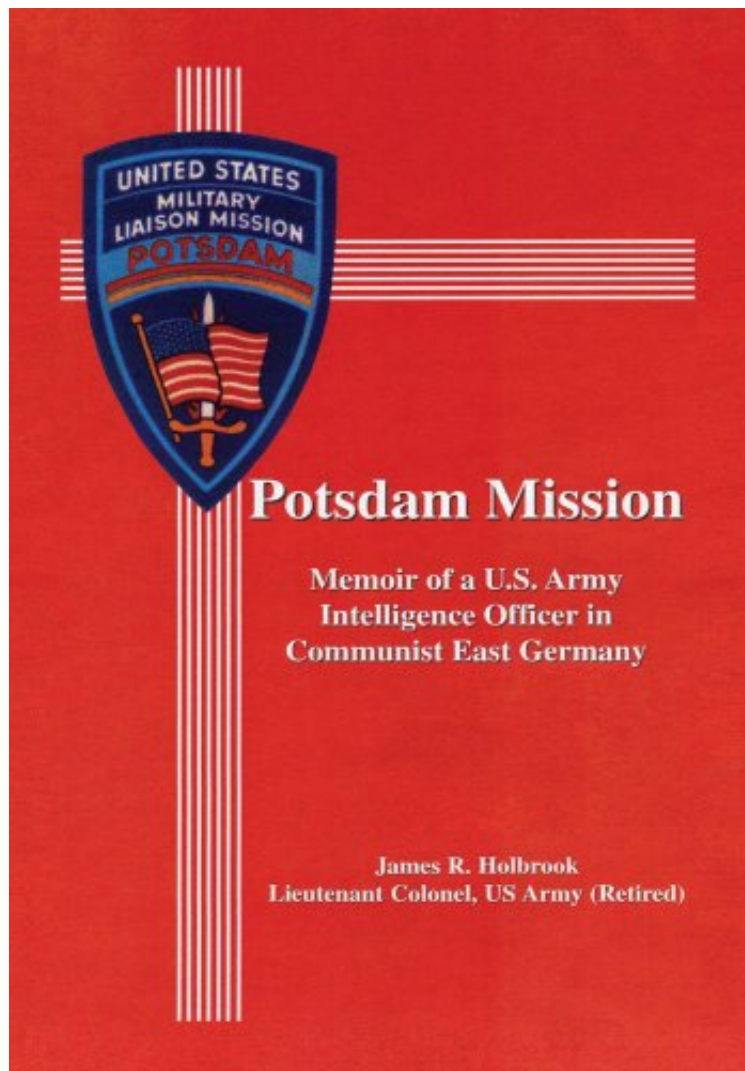


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Autobiografie von Lieut. Col. Holbrook ist, inclusive Vietnam und Ausbildung, Einsatz in Potsdamer USMLM (Project Sanddune) und Operation "Cervine Twist" in Heidelberg und Grafenwoehr. Recht detailliert beschrieben ist seine Ausbildung fuer seine Taetigkeiten in "Military Intelligence" (also Militaerspionage), sein Einsatz in den 60er Jahren auf dem Teufelsberg, und natuerlich die Touren in der DDR. Er berichtet von durchaus kollegialen Verbindungen zwischen den USMLM-Angehoerigen und den Sowjet-Liasion (SERB), die Beziehungen sind von gegenseitigem Respekt gepraeagt, es gibt gegenseitige Grillparties und Volleyballturniere (welche die Sowjets immer gewinnen). Dabei faellt auch auf wie wenig weder die Ami's noch die Sowjets fuer die MfS-"Beschatter" uebrig hatten. Er berichtet, das mehr als einmal die Sowjets einen schiefgegangenen Einsatz der Ostdeutschen diplomatisch "geraderuecken" mussten. Das Buch ist in einem sachlichen Ton, ohne "ideologische Ausfaelle" geschrieben. Das einzige was ich zu bemaengeln haette: Es ist zu kurz, man moechte weiterlesen. Und es hat zuwenig Bilder :) Waere interessant, wenn es ein aehnliches Buch ueber die sowjetische Mission (SOXMIS) in Frankfurt oder Baden-Baden geben wuerde.

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