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### Advance Praise for TOM CLANCY'S OP-CENTER: SCORCHED EARTH by George Galdorisi

"Galdorisi successfully goes solo in the suspenseful third entry in the Tom Clancy's Op-Center reboot...An Op-Center book is always a master class in military acronyms and hardware...the simple hostage situations keep the tension cranked high and will satisfy Clancy fans old and new."—*Publishers Weekly* 

# TOM CLANCY'S OP-CENTER: SCORCHED EARTH

## BY GEORGE GALDORISI

Tom Clancy, Steve Pieczenik, and George Galdorisi immerse readers in a pulse-racing, straight from the headlines thriller with **TOM CLANCY'S OP-CENTER: SCORCHED EARTH** (St. Martin's Griffin; 978-1-250-02687-3; Trade Paperback; August 2, 2016; \$15.99).

ISIS reigns supreme in huge swathes of Iraq and Syria and poses a threat to stability in the Middle East. When an American airstrike kills the ISIS leader's only son, he vows revenge. He discovers that a U.S. Navy admiral, now on duty in the Pentagon, led the strike. The ISIS leader has him kidnapped by American home-grown ISIS sympathizers. Their orders: smuggle him out of the United States and bring him to Mosul for execution.

When the normal levers of U.S. domestic security can't move quickly enough to locate the hostage, the President calls on the National Crisis Management Center-Op-Center to find the admiral and rescue him. But as the crisis drags on and it appears the admiral is hidden in a cargo shipment, already on a flight out of the country en route to Mosul, his son, a Navy SEAL, embarks on a lone-wolf mission to rescue his father.

Op-Center must utilize both its domestic strike force, an elite component of the FBI's Critical Incident Response Group Hostage Rescue Team, as well as its international intervention force built around a seasoned squad operating out of the secretive unit that captured Osama bin Laden: the Joint Special Operations Command. As in previous crises, Op-Center's group of twenty- and thirty-something operatives, its "Geek Tank," uses data collation programs, anticipatory intelligence algorithms, and outright hacking to stay one step ahead of a ruthless enemy.

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#### About the Author:

GEORGE GALDORISI is a career naval aviator. He has written eight books, including (with Dick Couch), the *New York Times* bestseller, *Tom Clancy Presents: Act of Valor*. George Galdorisi's last three novels, *Act of Valor, Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Out of the Ashes*, and *Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Into the Fire* were all *New York Times* bestsellers.

## Praise for Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Out of the Ashes:

"Intricately plotted, with wonderfully evil villains and enough realistic military action and suspense to ruin a couple of night's sleep. Highly recommended."

-Stephen Coonts, New York Times bestselling author of Pirate Alley

"Op-Center is back with a vengeance! . . . Couch and Galdorisi have just raised the bar for military adventure fiction. Suit up, strap in, and hang on, because you're in for one hell of a ride."

— Jeff Edwards, bestselling author of *The Seventh Angel* 

"This thriller procedural packs plenty of pulse-raising action. The open ending promises more to come." —*Publishers Weekly* 

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