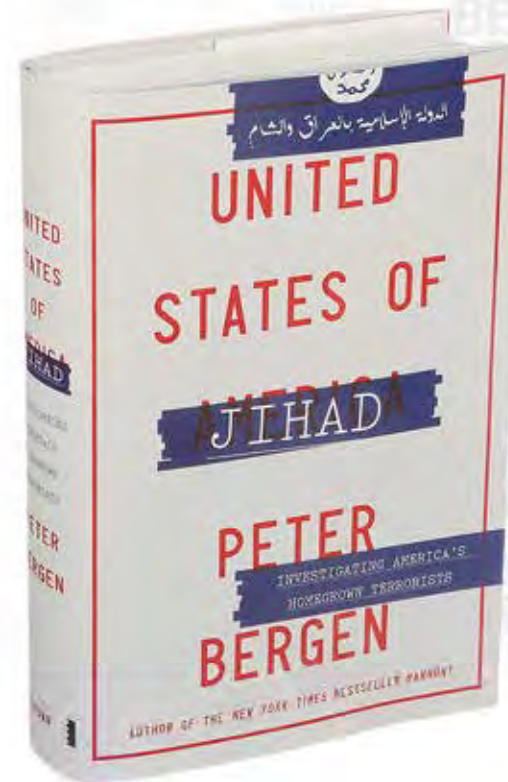


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Peter Bergen, print, television and web journalist, documentary producer and think-tank director has also authored five books (three New York Times bestsellers and three Washington Post's best nonfiction). He is Vice President and Director of the Fellows Programs and the International Security Program at New America in Washington D.C. He is CNN's national security analyst and author of *United States of Jihad: Investigating America's Homegrown Terrorists*. Director Greg Barker adapted the book for the new HBO film *Homegrown: The Counter-Terror Dilemma* which debuted February 8, 2016.

Mr. Bergen's previous book, New York Times bestseller, *Manhunt: The Ten Year Search for Bin Laden, from 9/11 to Abbottabad*, informed an HBO documentary by the same name. The documentary premiered at the 2013 Sundance Film Festival and won the Emmy for best documentary that year. *Manhunt* was universally acclaimed with *The Washington Post* calling it one of the best non-fiction books of 2012; *The Guardian* calling it one of the key books on Islamist extremism; and *The Sunday Times (UK)* naming it the best current affairs book of 2012. The book was awarded the Overseas Press Club Cornelius Ryan award for best non-fiction book of 2012 on international affairs.

Michiko Kakutani, New York Times book reviewer, wrote of Mr. Bergen's 2011 New York Times bestseller, *The Longest War: The Enduring Conflict between America and Al-Qaeda*, "for readers interested in a highly informed, wide-angled, single-volume briefing on the war on terror so far, 'The Longest War' is clearly that essential book." Tom Ricks of the Times described the book as "stunning." *The Longest War* won the Washington Institute's Gold Prize for best book on the Middle East of 2011. *Newsweek* and the *Guardian* named it as one of the key books about terrorism of the past decade.

Talibanistan: Negotiating the Borders Between Terror, Politics and Religion is a collection of essays about the Taliban that Bergen edited with Katherine Tiedemann that was published by Oxford University Press in 2013. The *New York Review of Books* described the book as "a frequently brilliant collection of essays by different experts on the Taliban in Afghanistan and Pakistan." Cambridge University Press published *Drone Wars: Transforming Conflict, Law, and Policy* in 2014.

In 1997, as a producer for CNN, Bergen produced bin Laden's first television interview, in which he declared war against the United States for the first time to a Western audience. Bergen has written about al-Qaeda, Afghanistan, Pakistan, counterterrorism, homeland security and countries around the Middle East for a range of American publications including the *New York Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Wall Street Journal*, *The Atlantic*, *Rolling Stone*, *TIME*, *The Nation*, *The National Interest*, *Mother Jones*, *Newsweek*, and *Vanity Fair*.

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TOPICS...

- CURRENT BOOK: UNITED STATES OF JIHAD
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- FUTURE OF AL-QAEDA AND ISIS-STYLE ORGANIZATIONS, BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

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