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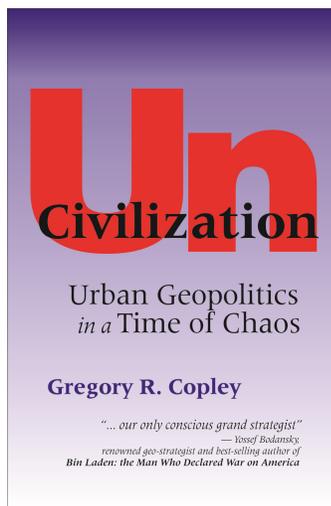
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UnCivilization: *Urban Geopolitics in a Time of Chaos*

By Gregory R. Copley

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***UnCivilization: Urban Geopolitics in a Time of Chaos* offers a strikingly original view of how the world is changing, and where the US and the West fit into the new architecture.**

The book offers a unique and timely strategic philosophy, but it also offers sharp insights into the question of modern society's vulnerability to energy dependency; the dramatic impact on sovereignty and policy thinking caused by now-overwhelming urbanization; the impact of impending population decline; and how tomorrow's wars must be fought. *UnCivilization* presents timely thoughts on cyber warfare, information policy, and how to get past the distraction of terrorism.

Author Gregory Copley uses his half-century of strategic analytical experience to show where the global strategic architecture — and modern civilization — is headed. *UnCivilization* de-

scribes how industrialization led to wealth and urbanization over the past two centuries, and to an explosion of human population numbers, trebling from 2.5-billion in 1950 to more than seven-billion today. Copley says that global population levels will soon begin to decline substantially and rapidly, even as urbanization and economically- and security-driven trans-national migration gather pace. Mass migration — mostly economic refuges — is intersecting with economic and scientific patterns, while urban social attitudes have created a revolutionary new political, social, and strategic reality. "Urban geopolitics" — new logic patterns which mirror urban needs — are having significant electoral consequences.

All of this is disruptive — or the end stage — of the process which began to become evident with the Industrial Revolution. But with change, even chaos, comes opportunity.

The author addresses questions such as when and how civilizations begin ... and end. And is this what we are witnessing as the 21st Century matures? There are significant chapters on energy and society; defense doctrine for future wars; on emerging strategic intelligence realities; on new logistics priorities in the civil and military supply chain; and on cyber war and terrorism in the new age. And particularly there is the defining new analysis of what "urban geopolitics" is, and why certain trends in governance, international relations, and the trends which created wealth and population growth have begun to change.

The author argues that we are in an entirely new game, and that it's time to learn the rules.

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Gregory Copley, the author of *UnCivilization: Urban Geopolitics in a Time of Chaos* and the earlier highly-successful *The Art of Victory*, was born in Perth, Western Australia. He has served as an adviser on strategic issues to a number of governments and leaders in the West, Africa, the Middle East, and Asia. He has been called “our only conscious grand strategist” by former Director of the House of Representatives Task Force on Terrorism, Yossef Bodansky (the author of the best-selling *Bin Laden: the Man Who Declared War on America*), and has briefed on Capitol Hill, in the UK Houses of Parliament, the Australian Parliament, and others over the past four decades.

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