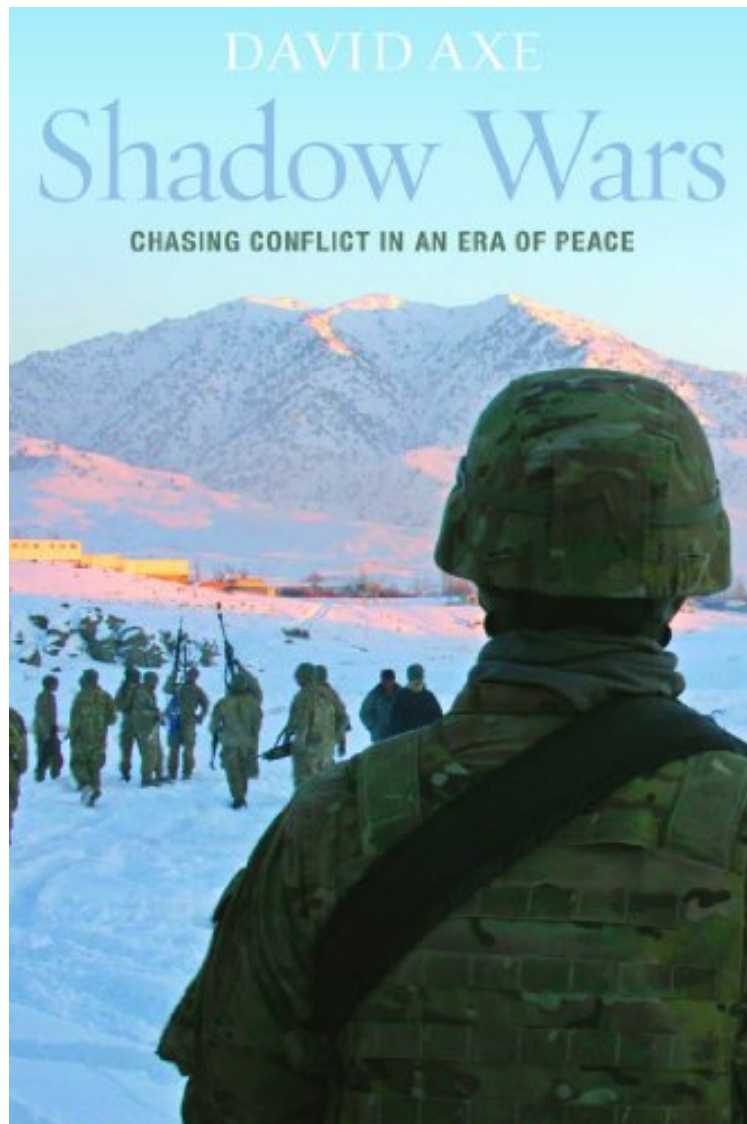


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without that I considered his argumentations in the book as reasonable. His experience as a military correspondent in e.g. Somalia, Kenya or Iraq also contributes to a trustworthiness earned on-site. It's an entertaining and informative read about drones, mercenaries, proxy wars in the 21st century and how all this might change / has changed US-American warfare overseas. It's not a strategy reader for pros, but food for thought about e.g. how a superpower gets better press without the press. 4 Sterne aus Deutschland.

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