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Joining al-Qaeda 2012-12-06 ten years have passed since the shocking attacks on the world trade center and after seven years of conflict the last u s combat troops left iraq only to move into afghanistan where the ten year old fight continues the war on terror rages with no clear end in sight in the longest war peter bergen offers a comprehensive history of this war and its evolution from the strategies devised in the wake of the 9 11 attacks to the fighting in afghanistan pakistan and beyond unlike any other book on this subject here bergen tells the story of this shifting war s failures and successes from the perspectives of both the united states and al qaeda and its allies he goes into the homes of al qaeda members rooting into the source of their devotion to terrorist causes and spends time in the offices of the major players shaping the u s strategic efforts in the region at a time when many are frustrated or fatigued with what has become an enduring multigenerational conflict this book will provide an illuminating narrative that not only traces the arc of the fight but projects its likely future weaving together internal documents from al qaeda and the u s offices of counterterrorism first person interviews with top level jihadists and senior washington officials along with his own experiences on the ground in the middle east bergen balances the accounts of each side revealing how al qaeda has evolved since 9 11 and the specific ways the u s government has responded in the ongoing fight bergen also uncovers the strategic errors committed on both sides the way that al qaeda s bold attack on the united states on 9 11 actually undermined its objective and caused the collapse of the taliban and the destruction of the organization s safe haven in afghanistan and how al qaeda is actually losing the war of ideas in the muslim world the book also shows how the united states undermined its moral position in this war with its actions at guantánamo and coercive interrogations including the extraordinary rendition of abu omar who was kidnapped by the cia in milan in 2003 and was tortured for four years in egyptian prisons his case represents the first and only time that cia officials have been charged and convicted of the crime of kidnapping in examining other strategic blunders the united states has committed bergen offers a scathing critique of the clinton and bush administrations inability to accurately assess and counter the al qaeda threat bush s deeply misguided reasons for invading iraq including the story of how the invasion was launched based in part on the views of an obscure academic who put forth theories about iraq s involvement with al qaeda and the obama administration s efforts in afghanistan at a critical moment in world history the longest war provides the definitive account of the ongoing battle against terror

War 2.0 2009-05-14 there is a widespread belief that the taliban and al qaeda are in many respects synonymous that their ideology and objectives are closely intertwined and that they have made common cause against the west for decades such opinions have been stridently supported by politicians media pundits and senior military figures yet they have hardly ever been scrutinised this is all the more surprising given that the west s present entanglement in afghanistan is commonly predicated on the need to defeat the taliban in order to forestall further terrorist attacks worldwide the relationship between the two groups and the individuals who established them is undeniably complex and has remained so for many years links between the taliban and al qaeda were retained in the face of a shared enemy following the invasion of afghanistan after the september 11 attacks an adversary that was selected by al qaeda rather than by the taliban and which led the latter to become entangled in a war that was not of its choosing this book is the first to examine in detail the relationship from the taliban s perspective based on arabic dari and pashtu sources drawing on the authors many years experience in southern afghanistan the taliban s heartland they also interviewed taliban decision makers field commanders and ordinary fighters while immersing themselves in kandahar s society van linschoten and kuehn s forensic examination of the evolution of the two groups allows the background and historical context that informed their respective ideologies to come to the fore the story of those individuals who were to become their key decision makers and the relationships among all those involved from the mid 1990s onwards reveal how complex the interactions were between the taliban and al qaeda and how they frequently diverged rather than converged an enemy we created concludes that there is room to engage the taliban on the issues of renouncing al qaeda and guaranteeing that afghanistan will deny sanctuary to international terrorists yet the insurgency is changing and it could soon be too late to find a political solution the authors contend that certain aspects of the campaign especially night raids and attempts to fragment and decapitate the taliban are transforming the resistance creating more opportunities for al qaeda and helping it to attain its goals

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