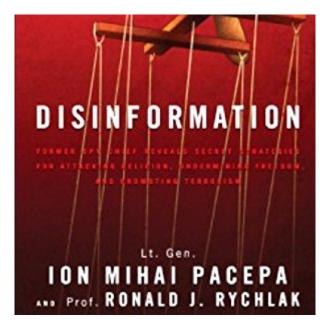


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# Disinformation: Former Spy Chief Reveals Secret Strategies For Undermining Freedom Attacking Religion And Promoting Terrorism





### Synopsis

The highest-ranking Soviet bloc intelligence official ever to defect to the West, Lt. Gen. Ion Mihai Pacepa is at it again. A quarter century ago, in his international bestseller Red Horizons, Pacepa exposed the massive crimes and corruption of his former boss, Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu, giving the dictator a nervous breakdown and inspiring him to send assassination squads to the U.S. to find his former spy chief and kill him. They failed. On Christmas Day 1989, Ceausescu was executed by his own people at the end of a trial whose accusations came almost word-for-word out of Red Horizons. Today, still living undercover in the United States, the man credited by the CIA as the only person in the Western world who single-handedly demolished an entire enemy espionage service - the one he himself managed - takes aim at an even bigger target: the exotic, widely misunderstood but still astonishingly influential realm of the Russian-born "science" of disinformation. Indeed, within this audiobook, Pacepa, along with his co-author, historian and law professor Ronald Rychlak, expose some of the most consequential yet largely unknown disinformation campaigns of our lifetime.

#### **Book Information**

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#### **Customer Reviews**

Very interesting not just for all those wanting to know how the former Soviet bloc secret services worked and how the Russian services work still today. The disinfo of TV stations like Russia Today is actually nothing new - you will find out that it worked exactly the same way during the reign of USSR. Ion Pacepa also offers a breathtaking analysis and his own version of President Kennedy

assasination, KGB infiltrating religious organizations and even the Russian Orthodox Church, his numerous talks with Moscow KGB chief Andropov and with Khrushchev and his dramatic escape via West Germany to the United States after he got a task he could not stomach - from Romanian dictator Ceausescu: to kill a journalist of Radio Free Europe who revealed some unpleasant truth about Ceausescu. Worth reading and comparing to the situation of today! Unbelievably similar in manipulations getting so easily to Western readers and turning reality upside down - even now.

Disinformation is not just a defunct Cold War strategy. It is applied routinely in every day America in the framing of stories by the mainstream media, smear campaigns against candidates and the speeches made by foreign leaders. Ion Pacepa and Ronald Rychlak's "Disinformation" provides the history behind the strategy, and how it was perfected in some of the most devious but effective campaigns of all time, including fomenting Islamic Jew-hatred in the Middle East beginning in the 1970s, the trashing over many decades of Pope Pius XII as "Hitler's Pope," despite his saving the lives of thousands of Jews during the Holocaust, creating and fomenting the Vietnam-era anti-war movement that persists to this day, and hundreds of other movements designed to undermine the Western world and bolster the aims of the Communists. With the impeccable clarity and entertaining anecdotes that could only be provided by one who executed the strategy at the top of the KGB system and practiced its methods, Lt. Gen. Pacepa provides a compelling story of how the Soviet Union came to employ more agents in disinformation and propaganda then as traditional spies worldwide during the height of the Cold War. This strategy was devised to turn the West's heart against itself and scramble its collective mind, the devastating effects of which are clearly evident today.

After fighting on several fronts in Southwest Asia (my recent a few months ago against notable enemies to both the West and East) coupled with the rhetoric of the recent Presidential election, I realized I needed to brush-up on ideological subversion and propaganda as it seemed so many (around the world) have bought hook, line, and sinker, nearly a century of disinformation. This book was the key to understanding what is going on now, how we got here, and why. I can't recommend this book enough. Read it.

Great eye-opening book on revisionist history. To the victor go the spoils, and the ability to write his own history. But this book investigates what the truth actually is. It runs counter to many things that we hold for true here in the West. Marxism has made deep inroads into the West more than ever before today and the populace is both blind to it but given the generations of education and conditioning, they are sadly receptive to it as well from their exposure to Disinformation. Another great book I recommend, especially as it relates to the Catholic Church and the maligned history of Christianity in general, is the newly released book Bearing False Witness: Debunking Centuries of Anti-Catholic History by Rodney Stark, who though isn't a Catholic himself, he covers some overlapping topics to Disinformation such as the false narrative Hitler's Pope and other falsities like the Spanish Inquisition and Anti-Semitism in Christianity.

This is one of the best books I have ever read since I learnt to read 60 years ago. Not only I trust every word in it, I can also personally attest to the facts concerning the arrogant influence Soviets exerted over the balance of the Eastern block countries. I was born and lived in Czech Republic for 35 years. Both of my parents were communists and intellectuals who initially strongly subscribed to Marxist ideology as they lived through the horrors of Nazi occupation and Holocaust but as they gradually learned about the true face of communism in the late 50's and beginning of 60's, they turned extremely disillusioned. My father, who was was CEO of large national company was let go in 1969 for his strong stance against uninvited entry of Soviet troops in August 1968 and was kicked out of the Party. My mom, chief doctor in one of Prague's hospitals, turned in her membership as well. After I graduated in 1973, I knew that my days in that country were counted. I took my family to Iraq and never came back. All of my three children are doing very well and are eternally grateful for my decision 30 years ago. I lived and worked in Czechoslovakia, Middle East, Canada, United States and most recently Netherlands. My live was and continues to be one colorful adventure. Since Velvet Revolution in 1989 I visited Czech Republic many times. Many times I have also asked myself if I would ever be able to work there again and the answer is no. The last 25 years has simply not been enough time to erase the scars communism left in subconsciousness of this great nation. This makes me wonder how much more time will be needed and if it is ever possible to accomplish such mind cleansing given the proximity of Russia and the recent very disturbing events in Ukraine, simply another example of Disinformation by Putin, who fits this mold so well! Mihai, thank you sincerely for sharing your experiences with us.M.B

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