Live By the Sword
THE SECRET WAR AGAINST CASTRO AND THE DEATH OF JFK
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Published to coincide with the 35th anniversary of JFK’s assassination, *Live By the Sword* forces the conclusion that the president’s murder was a direct consequence of the Kennedy brothers’ reckless anti-Castro operations. By 1963, the Kennedys had plans underway for a full-scale invasion of Cuba—a move that could have provoked nuclear war. When Lee Harvey Oswald learned of this and decided to kill the president, he was secretly embraced by a Cuban regime fearful for its survival, and determined to retaliate for repeated attempts on Castro’s life. Author Gus Russo debunks 35 years of convoluted conspiracy theories, demonstrating that Oswald—expecting sanctuary in Havana—was indeed “the lone gunman” in Dallas. Russo proves the ensuing government coverup was intended to preserve dwindling national security and hide JFK’s responsibility for his own murder—not to conceal a CIA/mafia cabal. *Live By the Sword* illuminates the assassination as an object lesson in flawed foreign policy.

Marketing and publicity info
- Co-op available
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Sales Handles
- Publication coincides with 35th anniversary of JFK’s assassination (11/22/63)
- Draws on an extensive cache of previously secret, newly declassified documents
- Quotes innumerable key insiders in the Kennedy/Cuba drama speaking for the first time on record
- Features dozens of never-before-seen photographs

Audience
- General readers of high-quality non-fiction
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- Historians, political scientists, and policy analysts

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