The New Terrorism: Myths And Reality

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The New Terrorism: Myths and Reality, Thomas R Mockaitis. The book examines contemporary terrorism within its historical context to discern continuities and change in terrorist activities and ideology. It rejects the idea of a "New" terrorism and instead offers a "myth" perspective on terrorism. The book explores the myths and realities of terrorism, including the role of ideology, groups, and tactics in contemporary conflicts.

The book challenges the popular narratives of terrorism, such as the idea of "grass-roots terrorism" and "unconventional warfare," and argues that these concepts are often misused to justify military interventions. The author emphasizes the importance of understanding the socio-political context of terrorism and its impact on local communities.

Mockaitis's argument is that terrorism is not a new phenomenon, but rather a continuation of historical practices. He stresses the need for a more nuanced understanding of terrorism that goes beyond simplistic labels and caricatures. The book is a valuable resource for those interested in understanding the complexities of contemporary terrorism and its impacts on societies around the world.
Domestic Terrorism: Myths and Realities 2001 — so much so that we have reached a higher plateau where terrorism is the “new normal.”