Recommended Reading on the Intelligence Profession

Learn more about the intelligence profession by checking out some of these books.

**Recent Works:**

- *Good Hunting* by Jack Devine and Vernon Loeb
- *The Art of Intelligence: Lessons from a Life in CIA’s Clandestine Service* by Henry A. Crumpton
- *Widow Spy* by Martha Peterson

**General Histories:**

- *For the President’s Eyes Only: Secret Intelligence and the American Presidency from Washington to Bush* by Christopher Andrew
- *The Agency: The Rise and Decline of the CIA* by John Ranelagh

**Biographies and Memoirs:**

- *Honorable Men: My Life in the CIA* by William E. Colby with Peter Forbath
- *From the Shadows: The Ultimate Insider’s Story of Five Presidents and How They Won the Cold War* by Robert Gates
- *Gentleman Spy: The Life of Allen Dulles* by Peter Grose
- *A Spy's Journey: A CIA Memoir* by Floyd Paseman
- *Casey: The Lives and Secrets of William J. Casey* by Joseph Persico

**Espionage/Counterintelligence:**

- *A Secret Life: The Polish Officer, His Covert Mission, and the Price He Paid to Save His Country* by Benjamin Weiser
- *Circle of Treason: A CIA Account of Traitor Aldrich Ames and the Men He Betrayed* by Sandra Grimes and Jeanne Vertefeuille
- *Wilderness of Mirrors* by David Martin

**Technical Collection:**

- *Secret Empire: Eisenhower, the CIA, and the Hidden History of America’s Space Espionage* by Philip Taubman
- *Spycraft: The Secret History of the CIA’s Spytechs from Communism to al-Qaeda* by Robert Wallace and H. Keith Melton

**Covert Action:**

- *Ghost Wars: The Secret History of the CIA, Afghanistan, and Bin Laden, from the Soviet Invasion to September 10, 2001* by Steve Coll
- *Safe for Democracy: The Secret Wars of the CIA* by John Prados