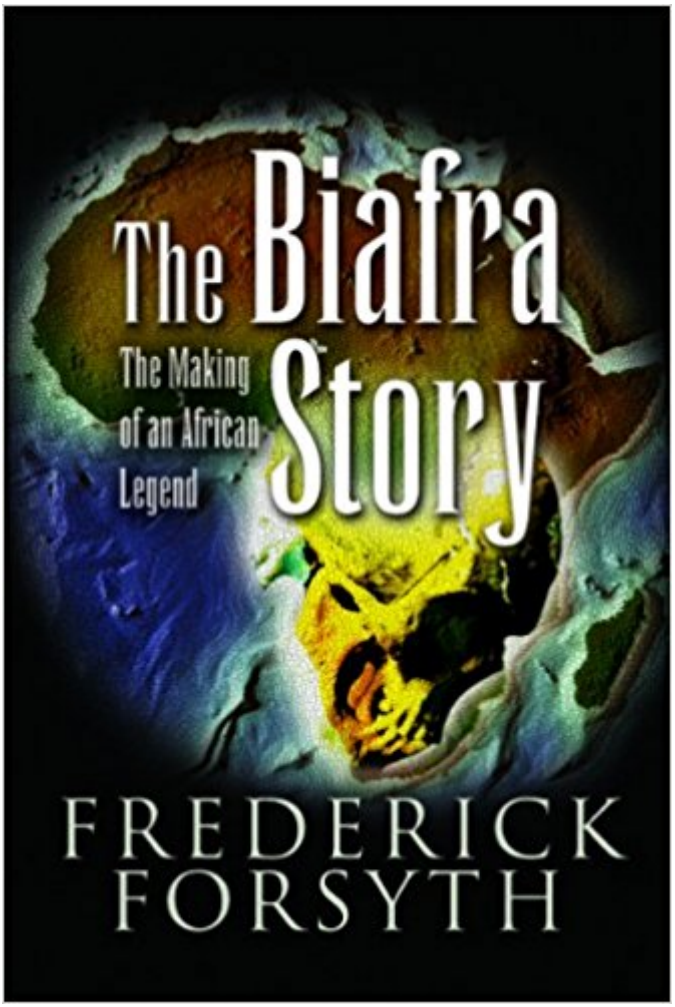
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The Biafra Story: The Making Of An African Legend



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The Nigerian civil war of the late 1960s was one of the first occasions when Western consciences were awakened and deeply affronted by the level of the suffering and the scale of the atrocity being played out in the African Continent.This book which marked Frederick ForsythÃ¢â ¬â„¢s transition from journalist to author is a record of one of the most brutal conflicts the Third World has ever suffered, it has become a classic of modern war reporting. But it is more than that. It voices one manÃ¢â ¬â„¢s outrage not only at the extremes of human violence, but also at the duplicity and self-interest of the Western Governments Ã¢â ¬â œ most notably, the British, who tacitly accepted or actively aided that violence.The combination of the dramatic events and the shocking exposures combined with the authorÃ¢â ¬â„¢s forthright and perceptive style makes The Biafra Story as compelling a read today as when it was first written.

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Frederick Forsyth has written a succession of major best sellers, many of which have been turned into box office blockbusters. Dogs of War, The Fourth Protocol, The Day of the Jackal, The Deceivers to name but four all bear the stamp of his masterly story telling and thorough research. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

A tragic story from a superb writer. Three stars not because of the writing, but an awful war with a tragic ending. Much to learn here about the involvement of the West.

The book was a very informative historical account of the events that occurred in the early times of the Nigerian nation and are still reverberating until now

A remarkable and profoundly moving and sad story. A shocking indictment of corruption at the heart of the British establishment. Frederick Forsyth is owed a deep debt of gratitude by all those with an interest in African affairs and provides an impeccable source for historians of the Nigeria-Biafra conflict.

Forsyth’s entry into published work, a summation & culmination of his time spent in Biafra, told truthfully, which irked the Brits from whence he came. A result of that not-very-well received treatise, DOGS OF WAR, an "historical drama," came about, leading to his proliferation of an exciting & well written library. This is some tough sledding, both emotionally & depth-wise, but it illustrates that mankind cont’s to be mankind . . . not a very pretty picture. Goes on my "history shelf."

One of my favorite authors. This, I think, is his first book. Kind of tedious and a little hard to follow if you’re not already knowledgeable about the subject.

A complete detailed account of the Nigerian civil war as told from the Biafra point of view. Well told by Frederick Forsyth.

Happens all the time in Asia. Until west looses it tribal instincts.

While this book was first written 35 years ago, there are quite a few lessons that the modern world needs to learn. We still expereience the fall out as Middle Eastern and African countries / colonies come apart. Racial hatred is still prevalent. So many world leaders live in denial, and act as if appeasement is the solution.

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