

CONTENTS

Author's Note ix

List of Maps xiii

Cast of Characters xv

Introduction 1

PART ONE

THE ENEMY OF MY ENEMY

December 1979 to August 1990

1. The Physicist and the Dictator 11
2. A Spy Bearing Gifts 30
3. A Man and a City 44
4. Ambassadors of Cynicism 64
5. Department 3000 80
6. A Conspiracy Foretold 94
7. Druid Leader 107
8. "Who Is Going to Say Anything?" 117
9. The Prodigal Son 134
10. Project 17 147

PART TWO
THE LIAR'S TRUTHS

August 1990 to September 2001

- 11. Crash Programs 177
- 12. "The Situation Is Under Excellent Control" 198
- 13. Iraqi Spring 216
- 14. The Liar's Truths 238
- 15. Mr. Max and the Mayfair Swindler 257
- 16. "We Need to Turn This Thing Off, Now!" 275
- 17. "There Would Be a Bloodbath" 289
- 18. Honor among Tyrants 304
- 19. Spy vs. Spy 321
- 20. Crime and Punishment 339
- 21. The Logic of Illusion 353
- 22. The Secret Garden 371

PART THREE
BLIND MAN'S BLUFF

September 2001 to March 2003

- 23. The Pundit 389
- 24. Cold Pitch 407
- 25. Cracked Mirrors 418
- 26. "Do We Have WMD?" 435
- 27. The Edge of the Abyss 453

Epilogue 469

Acknowledgments 485
A Note on Sources 489
Notes 493
Bibliography 529
Index 535