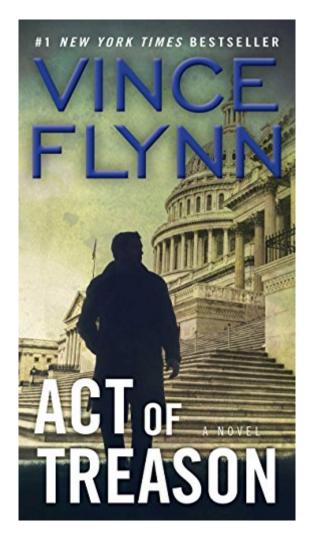
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Act Of Treason (A Mitch Rapp Novel Book 7)





Synopsis

CIA operative Mitch Rapp follows a trail of contract killers leading directly to the heart of our nation's capital in New York Times bestselling author Vince Flynn's eighth explosive thriller. It's a gorgeous autumn day in Georgetown. The Democratic candidates for president and vice president of the United States are dutifully glad-handing voters and the media outside a grand estate where a national security conference has just been held, bringing together the world's greatest minds to discuss the issues that are threatening the country. It's American politicking at its best. That's when all hell breaks loose. When presidential candidate Josh Alexander's motorcade is ambushed by a group of terrorists, the nation is thrown into turmoil. Two weeks following the attack, Alexander is carried to victory by a sympathy vote, but his assailants have not been found. On the surface it appears to be the work of al-Qaeda, despite the tremendous job that the U.S. and her allies have done eliminating terrorist cells within the heart of America. While the FBI and the rest of the government begin scouring the world for jihadists, CIA director Irene Kennedy and Special Agent Skip McMahon are presented with classified information so toxic that they consider destroying it altogether, as it contains intelligence pointing to some of the most powerful players in Washington. Enter Mitch Rapp, the one man reckless enough to follow the evidence to its explosive conclusion. His journey takes him through the shadowy world of contract killers, into the darkest corners of the globe, and eventually back to Washington, where the fragile pillars of power are shaken to their core.

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During the heat of a presidential election a terrorist group in the Middle East threatens violence to try to influence the results. Some weeks before the election is to take place a car bomb goes off near one of the presidential candidate's motorcades and kills the wife of the presidential candidate and dozens of innocent bystanders. The voters decide that they won't be pushed around by terrorists and vote in the presidential candidate who was attacked. Mitch Rapp and his friends at the CIA are left to uncover the plot as ruthless and dangerous people are afoot. Sounds like a great thriller but Act of Treason is not up to the standard we expect from Vince Flynn. Vince Flynn deserves a lot of credit for an almost prophetic handle on the continuing war on terror. Before the 9-11 attacks Flynn had written novels about militant Wahhabism attacking the United States. While on the book tour for his last book, Consent to Kill, Vince Flynn talked about secret CIA prisons where Iragi and Afghani insurgents and terrorists where interrogated outside the view of the public eye. A year later there were stories in the popular press about those same secret prisons. Flynn has been a bestselling author thanks to his research and his connections to U.S. servicemen out in the field. He combines his solid research with a great storytelling ability which typically makes all of his novels thrilling page turners. Act of Treason abandons some of the formulas that have worked so well for Mr. Flynn in the past. Vince plays around with different themes. In his past works there was the "ticking time bomb" mentality which has driven much of the motivations for the protagonist Mitch Rapp.

I am a very big fan of author Vince Flynn and have more expectations from this writer than almost every other storyteller. If you are like me, and have a penchant to be drawn to the genre' of clandestine political espionage and back-channeled international suspense, then you will dive right in to what I believe stylistically is a page-turning, mind-absorbing, savvy political thriller in Vince Flynn's `Act of Treason'. Similar to `Consent to Kill', the author has mastered the three important facets necessary for exceptional historical fiction: believability, currency, and valuably innovative plot line development. Splashed in throughout is a keen understanding about the world of operatives and the intelligence community very few individuals know or talk about. Furthermore, the author uses other fascinating factual tidbits of information that keep the reader moving, and allowing the necessary balance to occur that provides great credibility to the what if points author Flynn is clearly making during this ongoing state of war against terrorism individuals of freedom must persevere through. As a writer who concentrates in the genre of international espionage such as Mr. Flynn, I openly want to say that CIA operative Mitch Rapp is such an engaging and cleverly created character. As I want to relate in part to my own protagonists that push the pages of some of my own novels, there is a great connection between Rapp and the reader. Well done!The story begins with a presidential motorcase explosion that throws the administration upside down, and ignites would-be-voters to stand strong behind their current president seeking reelection. Conspiracy theory lovers unite? Maybe . . . but Flynn has a series of surprises that spin one after the other.

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