Synopsis

In December 1989 US Army forces, supported by the US Air Force and US Navy, participated in Operation 'Just Cause'--the invasion of Panama. A combination of airborne, helicopter and ground assaults quickly secured key objectives and eliminated organized resistance. Beginning with a brief history of US-Panama relations and the development of the Panamanian Defense Forces, this book focuses principally on the military aspects of Operation 'Just Cause', and ends with a summary of the conflict's aftermath. Numerous photographs, and detailed color plates depict the actions of the armed forces units that executed this difficult, and controversial, operation.

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The invasion of Panama in 1989 is one of those forgotten wars in American military history. Codenamed Operation Just Cause, the operation was launched by President Bush to remove Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega from power after he had killed a U.S. Marine and declared war on the United States. The book does a good job covering the conflict itself, which lasted only several weeks and resulted in low casualties for the United States, as well as covering the uniforms and weapons of both the American and Panamanian forces. Not much has been written about the invasion of Panama so this book is a good start.

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