



Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Out of the Ashes

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Fans of the original Op-Center series created by Tom Clancy and Steve Pieczenik that ended with Jeff Rovin's *War of Eagles* (2005) will welcome this solid continuation from Couch (*SEAL Team One*) and Galdorisi (*Coronado Conspiracy*). The original Op-Center, "an information clearinghouse with SWAT capabilities," fell under the budget ax and was disbanded, but after a horrific series of bombings at four NFL stadiums, U.S. president Wyatt Midkiff decides to dust off the Op-Center file and bring the group back to life. Chase Williams, a retired four-star Navy admiral, agrees to head the new center and hunt down the terrorists responsible for the devastating attack. The trail takes the men and women of the revitalized agency into the Middle East, where they find a new plot aimed at the American homeland. This thriller procedural packs plenty of pulse-raising action. The open ending promises more to come. *Agent: John Silbersack, Trident Media Group.*
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