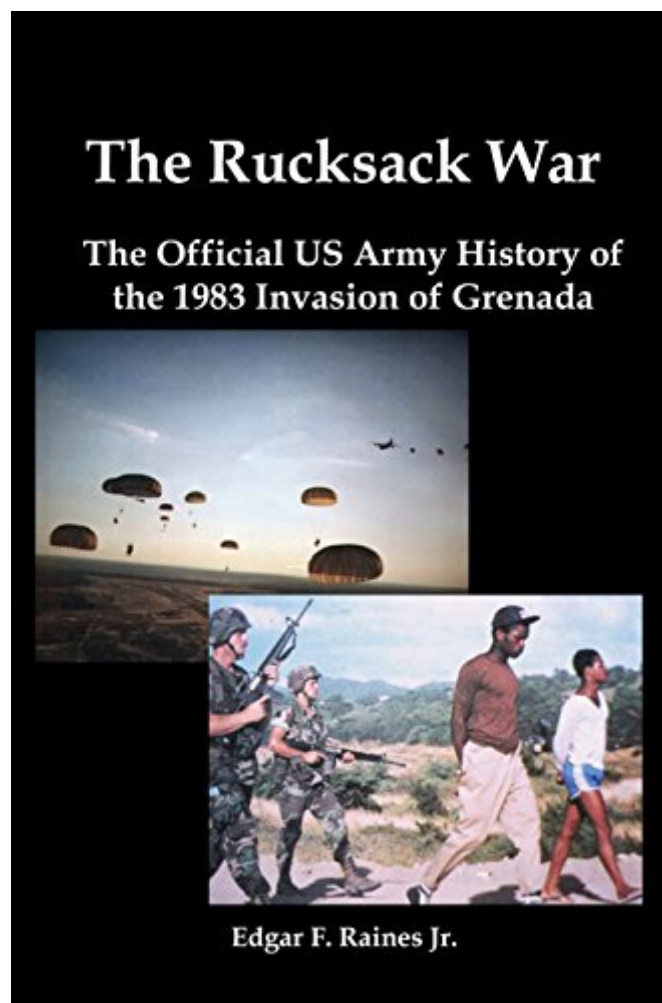The book was found

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This book is comprehensive in every way but one, which I will get to in a moment. It covers every aspect of the operation from start to finish. It covers the situation on Grenada that prompted it, the decision making, planning and execution. The level of detail is quite amazing. However, that very level of detail makes it difficult to get through at times. I think this book would be very good for officers and senior NCO's. It would also be appropriate for serious military buffs and historians. Someone with a more casual interest might easily get bogged down in the minutia and endless references to various officers, units and what they did or didn't do. Still it isn't meant to be light reading material - it's the official history, a distillation of thousands of reports, forms and interviews with the officers involved. Coverage of the enlisted men's experience is sadly inadequate and, when

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