

Copyright © Carl Rihan 2025

The right of Carl Rihan to be identified as the author of this work has been asserted in accordance with the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988.

Published by Manchester University Press  
Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9PL  
[www.manchesteruniversitypress.co.uk](http://www.manchesteruniversitypress.co.uk)

British Library Cataloguing-in-Publication Data  
A catalogue record for this book is available from the  
British Library

ISBN 978 1 5261 5104 9 hardback

First published 2025

The publisher has no responsibility for the persistence or accuracy of URLs for any external or third-party internet websites referred to in this book, and does not guarantee that any content on such websites is, or will remain, accurate or appropriate.

EU authorised representative for GPSR:  
Easy Access System Europe, Mustamäe tee 50, 10621  
Tallinn, Estonia  
[gpsr.requests@easproject.com](mailto:gpsr.requests@easproject.com)

Cover design: Abbey Akanbi,  
Manchester University Press  
Cover image: Husni al-Zaim (left) and Captain  
Riyad Kaylani (right); unknown officer  
(second row). Courtesy of Sami Moubayed.

Typeset  
by New Best-set Typesetters Ltd