



Uninhabited Combat Aerial Vehicles: Airpower by the People, for the People, But Not with the People (Paperback)

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University Press of the Pacific, United States, 2004. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English. Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. In one form or another, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) have been employed for over 2,000 years. Lt Col Richard M. Clark's Uninhabited Combat Aerial Vehicles: Airpower by the People, For the People, But Not with the People, draws on that long history to gauge what the future may hold for uninhabited combat aerial vehicles (UCAV). The United States (US) Air Force's experience with UCAV's dates back to World War I and the US Army Air Service's order for 25 Kettering Bugs, explosive-laden unmanned minibiplanes. Over the next 60 years, the Air Force continued to experiment with-and periodically employ-UAV's/UCAV's in peace and war. Operational results were decidedly mixed. The Air Force abandoned UCAV development in the aftermath of the Vietnam War, but by the 1990s there was a marked resurgence of interest in UCAV's as a means of doing more with less while reducing combat risks to pilots. Given the problematic history of UAV's/UCAV's, knowledge of past experience could prove beneficial to the current generation of UCAV developers and planners. To that end, Colonel Clark examines...



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