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in Peace Operation during the 1990s**

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looters in Mitrovica, January 2000 (photo by Martin Roemers).**

What society gets in its armed services is exactly what it asks for, no more and no less. What it asks for tends to be a reflection of what it is. When a country looks at its fighting forces, it is looking in a mirror: if the mirror is a true one the face that it sees there will be its own.

General Sir John W. Hackett

If systematic study of the past is taken away, only personal experience, hearsay and intuition remain. Military history may be an inadequate tool for commanders to rely on, but a better one has yet to be designed.

Martin Van Creveld

