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Without fail, a man harms his foes thus: those things that they most dread he discovers, carefully investigates, then inflicts on them.

—Thucydides 6.91.6

It hasn't changed

—Milt Beardon, Director, U.S. covert action
in Afghanistan from 1986 to 1989

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Notes on Conventions

All dates are B.C. unless otherwise stated.

The familiar anglicized Latinate forms of Greek names are given, rather than transliterations of the Greek (e.g., Thucydides, rather than Thoukudides, for Θουκυδίδης). Titles, offices, and specialized vocabulary are transliterated and italicized (e.g., *kataskopos*, rather than *katascopus*, for κατάσκοπος).

When the attribution of authorship to a work is suspect or spurious, the author's name appears between brackets (e.g., [Lysias] *Against Alcibiades I*).

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