



## First Kill Your Family: Child Soldiers of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army

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Chicago Review Press. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, First Kill Your Family: Child Soldiers of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army, Peter Eichstaedt, Richard Opio has neither the look of a cold-blooded killer nor the heart of one. Yet as his mother and father lay on the ground with their hands tied, Richard used the blunt end of an ax to crush their skulls. He was ordered to do this by a unit commander of the Lord's Resistance Army, a rebel group that has terrorised northern Uganda for twenty years. The memory racks Richard's slender body as he wipes away tears. For over twenty years, beginning in the mid-1980s, the Lord's Resistance Army has ravaged northern Uganda. Tens of thousands have been slaughtered, and thousands more mutilated and traumatised. At least 1.5 million people have been driven from a pastoral existence into the squalor of refugee camps. The leader of the rebel army is the rarely seen Joseph Kony, a former witchdoctor and self-professed spirit medium who continues to evade justice and wield power from somewhere near the Congo-Sudan border. Kony claims he not only can predict the future but also can control the minds of his fighters. And...



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