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Salaam Bacha is a SovietAfghan War collectors guide. Salaam Bacha is a reference book for militaria buffs, collectors, reenactors, airsoft warriors, wargamers and military historians alike. This book is a reasonably detailed illustrated guide and it gives readers a clear visual idea of military uniforms, civilian clothing and equipment that Soviet soldiers and Mujahed warriors wore and carried in Afghanistan in the period between December 1979 and February 1989. This is the first Soviet and Mujahed militaria collectors guide that brings old photographs back to life and uses contemporary HQ color photographs to show actual configurations of uniforms and clothing as well as equipment of the shuravy and the doohy in as near to realistic configurations as is practically possible. This book

presents frontline soldiers, NCOs and officers in the main combat branches of the Soviet Armed Forces as well as to Mujahedeen warriors, actually ordinary Afghans, who were thrust by fate into the midst of a relentless guerilla war against one of the largest regular armies in the world. Uniforms presented in this book are assembled in configurations confirmed by wartime photos. All photographs taken for this book are of genuine service-issue, or private-purchase Soviet and Afghan Mujahedeen items. Salaam Bacha pays tribute to the Shuravy, enlisted men, NCOs and officers as well as women volunteers in the Soviet Army and in the Air Force, in the Special Operations Forces as well as in Border Guard units deployed in Afgan, to Afghani civilians and holy warriors, regardless of their nationality, or their ethnic, or religious background, who were wounded, or maimed, or who perished in the Soviet-Afghan War between 1979 and 1989. Salaam Bacha is published in 2014 to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the withdrawal of the last Soviet combat troops from the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan on February 15, 1989.

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