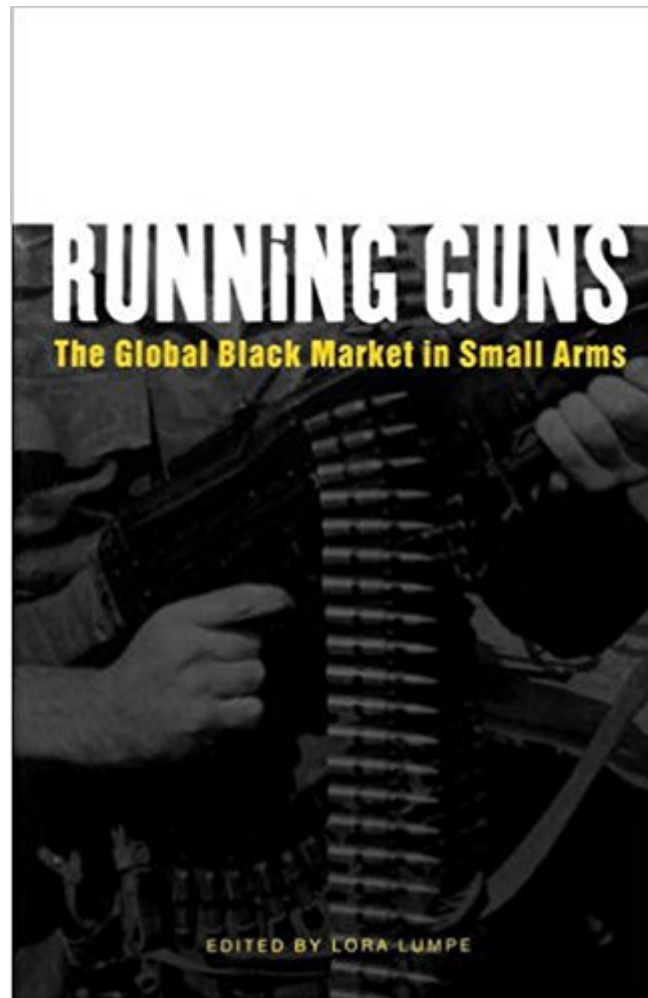




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This is a fascinating and extremely relevant study on the illegal - black market - trade in small arms. The book covers the subject from instances of trafficking by arms dealers, government supplies to rebels in foreign countries, and the utility of national and international regulations. A very good read.

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