

Kačić, the lawyer, carefully produced a scientific publication, very valuable for the documents it contains as well as for his personal notes. Kačić's book is not only a historical overview by a witness but it is also an interesting and exciting document of the time, with a lot of information for the readers.

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No previous writer on the subject has had the same combined experience of the subject as Hrvoje Kačić. His knowledge of the old Dubrovnik and the new Croatia, the country he has sought to serve, according to his title, is one with the deepest roots but with a quite modern flowering. Croatia was not supposed to exist at all; according to the most wretched Serbian gibe, it was just a German invention. And in the chancelleries of Europe where such nonsense was accepted, why should not old Dubrovnik be wiped off the map altogether? Fortunately for us, all the men, women and children of Dubrovnik had a different idea. Kačić has a special insight into that story and a special obligation to tell it.

Michael Foot, a British politician and man of letters, editor of the Evening Standard and the Tribune. He was elected Member of Parliament where he spent 42 years

Hrvoje Kačić was in an exceptional position. An independent in politics – thus owing his allegiance to Croatia rather than to any political party – he shows in this volume his independence of spirit time and again. He was often in Dubrovnik, usually accompanying heads of state, foreign ministers, ambassadors and diplomats, people like Sir Fitzroy MacLean and Bernard Kouchner; but also in Zagreb, Belgrade, The Hague, talking to the European Parliament, to parliamentarians of the NATO countries, to the Council of Europe, to Cyrus Vance, even to generals in the JNA and much, much more. He took every opportunity to argue, to explain, to correct misapprehensions. A „roving ambassador” in every sense.

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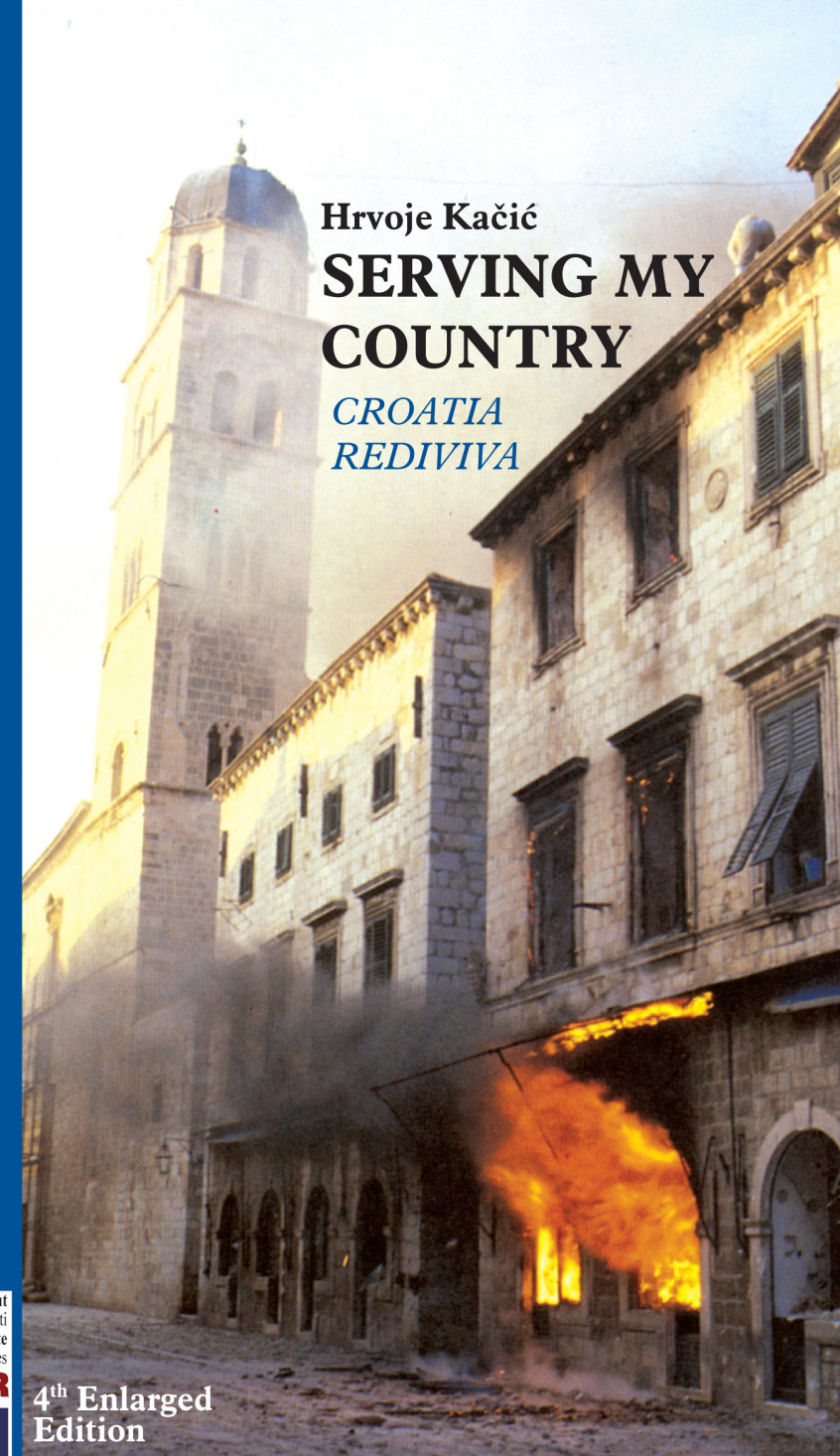
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