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## Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

Displaying an enviable gift for pacing and action, Battles's debut novel is a page-turner that may remind some readers of the cult TV spy series *Alias*. Ex-cop Jonathan Quinn now works for a shadowy U.S. intelligence agency known merely as the Office, erasing all traces of violence and mayhem when an operation goes south. During an apparently routine assignment to look into a fatal fire that claimed the life of Robert Taggart, a viral biologist, in his Colorado home, Quinn finds evidence that Taggart was murdered, and that discovery is followed by an attempt on Quinn's own life. While Quinn survives, he learns that the Office's top operatives have been killed in near-simultaneous attacks. Quinn, who makes a compelling protagonist, heads to Europe to track down the mastermind behind the scheme. Admirers of quality espionage fiction can look forward to a new series worth following. (*July*)

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Jonathan Quinn is planning an early retirement. He works sporadically for an agency called the Office. He makes nearly a million a year, but he doesn't even know what branch of government funds his employer. Military intelligence? NSA? He's a contract "cleaner" who tidies the scene of a completed operation so the locals don't suspect that anything unusual has happened. It's less dangerous than operations, and that suits him. So he's surprised when an assassin attempts to kill him in his home. He must disappear temporarily. But loose ends from his last assignment nag him, ultimately thrusting him into an operation filled with violence, revenge, and betrayal. Battles hits for extra bases in his first novel. *The Cleaner* is a tightly written page-turner, filled with tradecraft and offering as much action as a James Bond film. The threat Quinn must neutralize may be a bit over the top—again in the Bondian manner—but fans of derring-do will happily suspend disbelief and enjoy a wild ride. Gaughan, Thomas

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