## Author A.C. Frieden Goes Shooting in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS, Nevada, USA (Feb. 4, 2013) – Author-lawyer A.C. Frieden arrived in Las Vegas for a law conference but also used the time to research two new thrillers. "Yes, you can do almost anything in Vegas," said Frieden, "so I crammed in as much as possible that would be beneficial for my new thriller plots that are in the early stages of development." Frieden began his research with an exciting evening at Machine Gun Vegas, a firing range located near the Vegas strip.



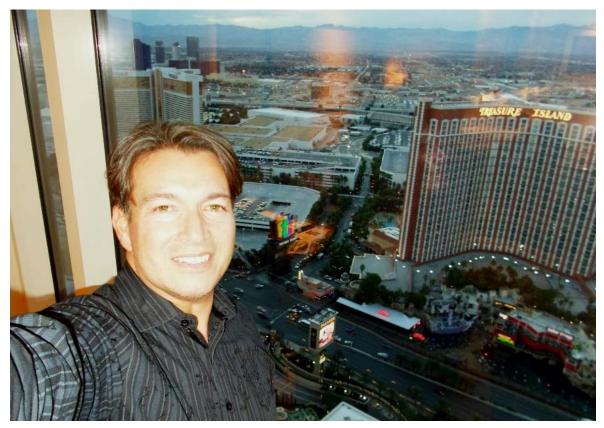
(Above) A.C. Frieden, a former army sniper, inspects the results of his use of an Uzi submachine gun.

At the range, Frieden practiced with various firearms, including an Israel Military Industries Uzi submachine gun, an AK-74 assault rifle (a variant of the venerable Russian AK-47), a Heckler & Koch MP5 submachine gun, and a Sig Sauer P226 pistol. "This was a particularly interesting experience," Frieden said, "since much of my past military training was focused on assault rifles and sniper rifles rather than close-range weapons like the Uzi and MP5." Weapons of various types are featured in Frieden's novels.

Frieden also used his time in Las Vegas to research Area 51. Also known as the Nevada Test and Training Range, or simply Groom Lake, Area 51 is a vast remote detachment of Edwards Air Force Base where many of America's most secretive military aircraft programs were developed and tested, including most recently some of the advanced drone aircraft used in overseas anti-terrorism campaigns. See separate press release <u>130208PR1</u>.



(Above) Novelist A.C. Frieden stands by a target after firing a variant of the infamous AK-47 assault rifle.



(Above) A.C. Frieden overlooks the famous Las Vegas Boulevard from his suite at The Palazzo.



(Above) The impressive man-made and natural landscapes of Las Vegas seen from Frieden's suite.

**About the author:** A.C. Frieden is an international author and lawyer based in Chicago. His works include the Jonathan Brooks series thrillers *Tranquility Denied* and the upcoming *The Serpent's Game*, as well as other fiction and non-fiction books. For more information, visit his website at **www.acfrieden.com** and his blogs.

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