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Editors: David H. Persing, Thomas F. Smith, Fred C. Tenover, and Thomas J. White

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*Second Edition*

Editors: Lynne S. Garcia and David A. Bruckner

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Editor in Chief: Henry D. Isenberg

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