



## GLADIATOR, THE (A Novel of Crosstime Traffic)

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Tor Books, New York, 2008. Mass Market Paperback. Book Condition: New. 16mo - over 5¾" - 6¾" tall. First mass market edition; October 2008. Condition is brand new; not a remaindered, library, or book club edition. -- The USSR won the Cold War. Now, more than a century later, the world's gone communist - and capitalism is a bad word. For teenagers Gianfranco and Annarita, life in gray, regimented Milan is a bore. Annarita's a student and a member of the Young Socialists' League. Gianfranco's father is a Party apparatchik. The biggest excitement in their lives is a war-game shop called The Gladiator, which runs tournaments and stocks marvelous games you can't find anywhere else. One day, without warning, the shop is shut down. The Security Police are searching high and low for the proprietors, who've vanished into thin air, leaving fingerprints that aren't in the record of any government on Earth. Only one staffer remains: Gianfranco and Annarita's friend Eduardo. On the run, he reveals to them where he's really from: a timeline where history ran differently. Our timeline, in fact. -- SIGNED BY HARRY TURTLEDOVE. Signature comes with Certificate of Authenticity. Signed by Author.



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