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Steve Pace is the author of *X-Fighters* and *F-104 Starfighter* also published by Motorbooks International.

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