



The War Archive is delighted to invite you in the presentation of the book

**«Bomb Shelters in the region of Attica»
by the author, Konstantine Kyrimis
on Saturday 7 May at 19.30**

The presentation will be in Greek and will be illustrated by photos and diagrams from the personal archive of the author

The War Archive is pleased to bring nearer to its friends an unknown aspect of WWII, and indeed of many other wars, an aspect that by its own nature is always bound to remain hidden and even completely unknown, that of bomb shelters. During the Metaxas regime in Greece, 1936-1941, the construction of bomb shelters in block of flats and houses became obligatory as was the construction of public shelters in the hills surrounding Attica. Actually the construction of bomb shelters continued partially in the post war period and during the early stages of the cold War. Indeed the block of flats where the War Archive is housed, constructed in 1955, is the proud owner of sizeable bomb shelter accessible from inside the block as well as from an escape hatch still visible and, hopefully, operable from the public pavement in front of the building !

This fascinating subterranean world, totally unknown and hidden from the overwhelming majority of the Athenians, will be opened for us through the efforts

of Konstantine Kyrimis, expert of the topic and author of an illustrated book on the topic. This promises to be a fascinating excursion into a forgotten page of the experience of WWII in Athens !

The author and presenter

Konstantine Kyrimis was born in 1975 in Piraeus, studied Information Technology and Insurance and now works in the IT department of a major insurance group.

He is a very keen amateur historian whose work has appeared in various important history magazines and publications covering aspects of historical topics and not just military and war history.

His fascination with the hidden world of bomb shelters led to a thorough investigation of the topic and his first excursion into book publishing !

The Arheion is looking very much forward to your presence in this event. We ask you however to let us know whether you will be coming either by replying to this email at afreeris@wararchivegr.org and/or by contacting Maka Dokhnadze at the phone of the Arheion, 210-8676390 ,or mobile phone 69-98088220 **by latest 4/05/2016**. Please do note that space is limited.
