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Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments

THE FUTURE OF NATIONAL SECURITY

The Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments (CSBA) is an independent, non-partisan, non-profit public policy research institute established to promote innovative thinking and debate about national security strategy, defense planning, and military investment options for the 21st century.

For more than two decades, the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments has provided consistent, high-quality, and innovative research on defense strategy, budgets, and the security environment. With notable alumni, CSBA experts have worked to analyze U.S. defense strategy, force structure and planning, and defense budgets in the effort to reconcile these interrelated subjects, contributing extensively to the Revolution in Military Affairs debate, the development of an AirSea battle concept, discussions on the strategic choices necessary for the transformation and modernization of the U.S. military in the face of limited resources, and the defense strategy and operational concepts needed for an era marked by great-power competition and the possibility of great-power war.

Under the leadership of Dr. Thomas G. Mahnken since 2016, CSBA remains instrumental in guiding the nation's most critical defense policy debates as a small but powerful group comprising experts with extensive experience in the field of national security—many of them military veterans and former senior level policy makers from the Department of Defense, State Department, and the National Security Council—supported by a dedicated staff of accomplished executives and scholars.

CSBA's mission is to develop innovative, resource-informed defense concepts, promote public debate, and spur action to advance U.S. and allied interests. Our vision is to set the terms of debate for the future of national defense and drive change in concept development, force structure, and resources to prepare the US and its allies to compete and win in an era characterized by great power competition and conflict.

CSBA enjoys a reputation that is cemented in its values of Independence, Objectivity, Integrity, Innovation, Expertise, and Quality.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD



For nearly three decades, the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments has been a reliable source of high quality, independent, and innovative research and analysis on the future of defense. The CSBA team of exceptional experts is a key national resource: they inform the nation's most critical defense policy debates, lead critical strategy simulations and force structure planning and budgeting exercises, and help frame the strategic choices facing governments in the allocation of defense budgets.

In 2018, CSBA's work focused on several crucial issues facing America and its allies to include nuclear modernization, innovative concepts for defending military assets and the future of the carrier air wing. CSBA was well represented on the bipartisan National Defense Strategy Commission with Ambassador Eric Edelman, CSBA's Counselor, serving as co-Chair with Admiral Gary Roughead.

In 2019, CSBA will continue to focus on critical strategic choices facing decision makers in the United States and our allies in an era of

great-power competition and growing prospects for great-power conflict. We will also continue to educate the public, from academics and congressional staffers to members of interested public, in our top-tier conference facilities and to develop the next generation of strategic thinkers.

For many years, our role in the national security arena has been under the radar. Recently we've made our efforts more accessible to a wider audience because we believe that a better-informed public helps strengthen our national security. So, please join us on our social media sites, sign up for our newsletter, and consider making a financial contribution to support CSBA's research and public education and outreach. Thank you for your continued interest and support.

Sincerely,

NELSON FORD Chairman

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO

2018 was an important year for CSBA. Our analysis and expertise influenced the National Defense Strategy, Nuclear Posture Review, and Missile Defense Review. We were well represented on the Congressionally-mandated Commission on the National Defense Strategy, chaired by AMB Eric Edelman, whose commissioners included Dr. Thomas G. Mahnken and GEN Jack Keane and staff included Dr. Hal Brands. Our research and expertise also shaped policy debates on defense and national security more broadly, both in the United States and abroad.

CSBA's efforts over the past year were guided by three priorities: First, we have done work to understand the character of great-power competition and conflict in the 21st century. This includes assessing military balances and developing future operational concepts and capabilities. Second, we have highlighted the strategic choices that policy makers face in a challenging and fiscally constrained security environment. This includes identifying key capability and capacity choices for the United States and its close allies, as well as emphasizing opportunities



for innovation and change. Third, we have engaged in education and outreach on emerging strategies, new concepts and military technologies, and budget analyses to inform national security decision makers.

Among the highlights of our work in 2018 are:

- Deeply researched monographs on innovative concepts for countering authoritarian political warfare, defending America's military bases, transforming the carrier air wing, sustaining the U.S. nuclear deterrent, strengthening deterrence, and human-machine teaming.
- Books on long-term competition with China, the Chinese navy, U.S. strategy toward Iran, and American grand strategy.
- · Congressional testimony on defense strategy and preparing for great-power conflict.
- The Secretary of Defense Executive Fellow Program and co-sponsorship of a highly regarded course on "Strategy in the Asia-Pacific Region" and the Directed Energy Summit.

In 2018 we welcomed several new members to our team. Maureen Fitzgerald joined us as Director of External Affairs. Captain Budd Bergloff came to CSBA as our newest Navy Federal Executive Fellow, replacing Captain Sharif Calfee. Jennifer McCardle joined us as a Non-Resident Fellow focusing on cyber issues. We also welcomed Research Fellows Billy Fabian, who is focused on land warfare, and Travis Sharp, who leads our budgetary studies program. Further strengthening our research team are Lukas Autenried, Pete Kouretsos, Grace Kim, and Kyle Libby.

We look forward to driving the debate on critical national security issues in 2019.

Sincerely,

THOMAS G. MAHNKEN President and Chief Executive Officer





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Research Methodology

ANALYTIC STUDIES

CSBA's analytic studies look 20–30 years into the future and are informed by history. They frame security developments in a broader context of strategic competition and identify critical areas of competition, particularly with regards to technological development, as well as the competitive advantages and disadvantages of the United States and potential adversaries. They take into account bureaucratic considerations and their influence on policy.

OPERATIONAL CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT

CSBA's operational concepts link strategies and capabilities to achieve strategic objectives and inform requisite future capability investments. They consider future technological and political developments and explore the utility of elements of the program of record, including potential additions, enhancements, or necessary alterations. Promising operational concepts may be validated by wargaming.

WARGAMING & SCENARIO DEVELOPMENT

CSBA employs an "alternate futures" scenario development methodology. We believe that the future cannot be predicted, but also that scenarios can be used to think through various potential challenges. Our scenario development has been successfully employed by a variety of U.S. and allied government sponsors. CSBA's wargaming methodology is designed to elicit the insights of a well-informed community of subject-matter experts on important, evolving issues, not to generate predetermined outcomes. CSBA wargames are intended to question prevailing assumptions underlying current and potential U.S. military concepts of operations, discover essential U.S. and adversary capabilities, identify capability and capacity shortfalls, and highlight potential areas of strategic advantage or disadvantage.

WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

CSBA workshops and seminars expose participants to new issues and concepts. They explore different approaches to thinking about strategic challenges designed to elicit non-obvious ideas and insights and provide a forum for discussion. They are also a way to critically review ideas and concepts in development.

BUDGETARY ANALYSIS

CSBA provides trusted insight on current defense spending and resource allocation, acquisition issues and reform, extraordinary funding for ongoing military operations, Department of Defense efficiency initiatives, historical spending trends, and future defense spending levels.

STRATEGIC CHOICES EXERCISES

CSBA examines the defense capability tradespace within multiple possible budget scenarios to identify the relationship between strategy and investments, including areas of over- and underinvestment. The Strategic Choices Exercise is used for both futures games and to educate the public as to the contents of the Defense Program of Record.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

CSBA is a flexible organization with a broad base of expertise, well suited to conduct or participate in a variety of additional work that may not fall into any specific category. Special projects in the past have included QDR "Red Team" efforts such as the 2005 "Downing Report" on SOF, congressional studies, and consulting for allied governments.



COMPETITION AND CONFLICT IN THE 21st CENTURY

In 2018, CSBA's research focused on the following areas:

UNDERSTANDING COMPETITION AND CONFLICT IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Explores how the United States, China, and Russia seek strategic advantages in peacetime and in war in order better to prepare the United States and its close allies for the challenges of today and tomorrow.

STRATEGIC CHOICES

Identifies key operating concepts, capabilities, and capacity choices for the U.S. military and its key allies and stresses opportunities for innovation and change.

PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION Includes outreach campaigns on emerging strategies, new concepts and military technologies, and budget analyses to educate, train and inform national security decision-makers.



Government and industry stakeholders attend the 2018 Directed Energy Summit, discussing the development and deployment of directed energy systems, cohosted by CSBA, Washington DC.

Report: December 2018



Regaining the High Ground At Sea: Transforming The U.S. Navy's Carrier Air Wing For Great Power Competition

Bryan Clark, Adam Lemon, Peter Haynes, Kyle Libby, and Gillian Evans

Started as an experiment in scouting for battleships and cruisers, naval aviation has grown during the last century into the primary offensive arm of the U.S. Navy and the centerpiece of the American fleet. As arguably the ultimate modular military platform, aircraft carriers exploited the diversity of naval aircraft to address emerging threats and opportunities by changing the size and mix of aircraft in their carrier air wings (CVW). Without the ability to evolve and support new missions, carriers and their aircraft would likely have gone the way of the battleship and left the fleet decades ago.

Today the Navy needs to transform its CVWs to counter the challenges posed by great powers like China and Russia and implement new defense and military strategies. During the quarter century since the end of the Cold War, carrier aviation emphasized cost-effectiveness and versatility because the United States did not face a peer adversary. Today's carrier aircraft, however, lack the range, endurance, survivability, and specialization to carry out the operational concepts needed to defeat great power militaries. If the Navy is unable to transform its carrier air wings, Navy leaders should reconsider whether to continue investing in carrier aviation or shift the fleet's resources to more relevant capabilities.

This report examines trends in U.S. strategy, capabilities, and threats between now and 2040 to describe the operational concepts CVWs will likely need to use in the future, as well as the implications for how CVWs should evolve during the next 20 years. The 2040 timeframe was chosen because new capabilities developed now could be fielded in operationally-relevant numbers by that year. 2040 is also approximately when the F/A-18 variants that comprise all the tactical aircraft in current CVWs will have retired, requiring the Navy to consider today what will replace them.

Book: December 2018



Red Star Over the Pacific: China's Rise and the Challenge to U.S. Maritime Strategy *Toshi Yoshihara and James R. Holmes*

Combining a close knowledge of Asia and an ability to tap Chinese-language sources with naval combat experience and expertise in sea-power theory, the authors assess how the rise of Chinese sea power will affect U.S. maritime strategy in Asia. They argue that China has laid the groundwork for a sustained challenge to American primacy in maritime Asia, and to defend this hypothesis they look back to Alfred Thayer Mahan's sea-power theories, now popular with the Chinese.

The book considers how strategic thought about the sea shapes Beijing's deliberations and compares China's geostrategic predicament to that of the Kaiser's Germany a century ago. It examines the Chinese navy's operational concepts, tactics, and capabilities and appraises China's missile force. The authors conclude that China now presents a challenge to America's strategic position of such magnitude that Washington must compete in earnest.



Testimony: November 2018

Statement before the Senate Armed Services Committee: Findings and Recommendations of the Commission on the National Defense Strategy

Eric Edelman and Gary Roughhead

The co-chairs of the National Defense Strategy Commission testified before the Senate Armed Services Committee. The two witnesses discussed the findings and recommendations of their commission's congressionally mandated final report. Mr. Edelman told members that the U.S. is "on the cusp of a national security emergency" due to declining military advantages and current global threats.

"The U.S. military could suffer unacceptably high casualties and loss of major capital assets in its next conflict," reads the report, issued Wednesday by the National Defense Strategy Commission. "It might struggle to win, or perhaps lose, a war against China or Russia. The United States is particularly at risk of being overwhelmed should its military be forced to fight on two or more fronts simultaneously.

"Additionally, it would be unwise and irresponsible not to expect adversaries to attempt debilitating kinetic, cyber, or other types of attacks against Americans at home while they seek to defeat our military abroad," the authors add. "U.S. military superiority is no longer assured and the implications for American interests and American security are severe."

The commission is a congressionally empowered, bi-partisan committee, put together in July 2017. Three individuals each were assigned by the House and Senate Arms Services Committee leadership at the time —the late Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., SASC ranking member Jack Reed, D-R.I.; HASC chairman Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Texas, and ranking member Rep. Adam Smith, D-Wash.

While reports warning of potential doom for the U.S. military are not unknown in Washington, the nature of this report—a requirement from Congress, with hand-picked experts—means that it will inevitably get attention on the Hill, just as a new Congress, with Democrats now running the House, settles in for the FY20 budget fight.

Report: November 2018



Air and Missile Defense At A Crossroads: New Concepts And Technologies To Defend America's Overseas Bases

Mark Gunzinger and Carl Rehberg

The Department of Defense has invested billions of dollars over the last 30 years to defend against ballistic missile attacks on the United States and its bases and forces overseas.

Despite these investments, the U.S. military still lacks the ability to defeat large numbers of ballistic missiles, cruise missiles, unmanned aircraft, and other emerging

guided weapons threats. Indeed, to date tangible progress toward fielding high capacity air and missile defenses has been minimal. This report addresses how DoD can take advantage of mature and emerging technologies to develop higher capacity and more cost-effective air and missile defenses for its overseas bases. It assesses the potential for a layered, distributed defense that integrates multiple new non-kinetic and kinetic systems to defeat salvo attacks.

Future layered defenses with these capabilities could greatly increase the level of effort an adversary would need to undertake to attack America's overseas bases successfully. They could be forward deployed with

a footprint that would allow them to move quickly between bases located in contested areas, which would help the U.S. military to transition its overseas posture "from large, centralized, unhardened infrastructure to smaller, dispersed, resilient, adaptive basing that include active and passive defenses," as highlighted in the 2018 National Defense Strategy.



CSBA workshop participants explore innovative ways to solve the Navy's near- and long-term challenges.

Testimony: September 2018

Statement before the House Armed Services Committee: The Impact of National Defense on the Economy, Diplomacy, and International Order

Hal Brands

Chairman Thornberry, Ranking Member Smith, and distinguished members of the Committee receive a statement on the impact of national defense on the economy, diplomacy, and international order.

Brands offered six analytical points about the subject at hand, and then three broad recommendations for Congress.

- First, the comparatively peaceful, prosperous, and democratic international order we enjoy today rests on a foundation of American leadership.
- Second, if international order rests on American leadership, American leadership rests on a foundation of unmatched military power
- · Third, robust U.S. military power produces positive spillovers in other areas of statecraft.
- Fourth, the United States needs a vast military superiority, not a marginal military superiority, to preserve its interests and sustain the international order.
- Fifth, U.S. military superiority is being eroded by developments at home and abroad.
- Sixth, as U.S. military advantages erode, the international order will also erode.

And provided three recommendations for Congress which included to scrutinize closely the National Defense Strategy and National Military Strategy, both of which were completed earlier in the year; to prioritize long-term growth and stability in the defense budget; and to remember that a well-funded military is necessary but not sufficient to protect U.S. interests.



Book: July 2018



The Gathering Pacific Storm: Emerging U.S.-China Strategic Competition in Defense Technological and Industrial Development

Tai Ming Cheung and Thomas G. Mahnken

Thomas G. Mahnken and Tai Meng Cheung present how the United States has enjoyed overwhelming military technological superiority in the post-Cold War era, but China has begun to chip away at this dominance. As distrust and strategic rivalry becomes more prominent in US-China relations, this is helping to turn what had previously been parallel but separate military research and development efforts by both countries into a directly connected competition. This contest for leadership in defense technology and innovation promises to be a long-term and highly expensive endeavor for the United States and China.

While there are some similarities between this emerging US–China defense strategic competition and the twentieth-century Cold War, there are also significant differences. The US–Soviet confrontation was primarily an ideological, geostrategic, and militarized rivalry between two countries and supporting alliances that were largely sealed from each other. This twenty-first century rivalry takes place against a backdrop of globalized interdependence, the blurring of military and civilian boundaries, and the growing prominence of geo-economic determinants.

US-China military technological competition lies at the heart of the growing strategic contest between the United States and China. This is largely because this technological rivalry straddles the geostrategic and geoeconomic domains covering drivers ranging from industrial policy and foreign direct investment to weapons development programs and threat assessments. Examining the nature of the US-China defense technological competition requires a more comprehensive and nuanced understanding of the complex military, economic, innovation, and other drivers at play.

This is a pioneering examination of the burgeoning US-China defense technological competition and provides perspectives not only from US analysts but also from China and Russia. One of the major contributions of the book is the use of a competitive strategies framework that outlines some of the key considerations in the assessment of US–China military technological competition. A rich and expansive discussion of this competition across a diverse range of domains, including air, sea, space, and emerging technologies, provides a comprehensive understanding of how complex and varied this contest is becoming, as well as its strategic and global implications.

Book: July 2018



Revolution and Aftermath: Forging a New Strategy toward Iran *Eric Edelman and Ray Takeyh*

In Revolution and Aftermath: Forging a New Strategy toward Iran, Eric Edelman and Ray Takeyh examine one of the most underappreciated forces that has shaped modern US foreign policy: American-Iranian relations.

They argue that America's flawed reading of Iran's domestic politics has hamstrung decades of US diplomacy, resulting in humiliations and setbacks ranging from the 1979–81 hostage crisis to Barack Obama's concession-laden nuclear weapons deal.

What presidents and diplomats have repeatedly failed to grasp, they write, is that "the Islamic Republic is a revolutionary state whose entire identity is invested in its hostility toward the West." To illuminate a path forward for American-Iranian relations, the authors address some of the most persistent myths about Iran, its ruling elite, and its people.

Finally, they highlight lessons leaders can learn from America's many missteps since the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

Report: May 2018



Countering Comprehensive Coercion: Competitive Strategies Against Authoritarian Political Warfare

Thomas G. Mahnken, Ross Babbage, and Toshi Yoshihara

The Chinese and Russian governments are currently waging political warfare against the United States and its allies. Although efforts to manipulate public opinion and political debate often receive less attention than armed interventions or military modernization programs, Beijing and Moscow are embarked upon campaigns to suppress dissent, discourage foreign narratives they oppose, generate support for policies they favor, keep their rivals distracted, and mitigate pushback against overt acts of aggression. To date, these efforts appear to be having success.

Countering Comprehensive Coercion offers policymakers, scholars, and the public a better understanding of the threat we face. It argues that Chinese and Russian malign activities should be viewed part of a unique form of authoritarian political warfare: comprehensive coercion. Unlike most Western nations, China and Russia have long histories of engaging in political warfare, deep insecurities that have driven them to embrace a particularly aggressive brand of political warfare, and highly centralized governments that enable them to integrate and coordinate the diverse elements of political warfare campaigns.

Meanwhile, democratic nations are particularly vulnerable to comprehensive coercion because the open nature of their societies provides many pathways for rivals to shape and influence, while gaps and seams across government agencies can make an effective response difficult to mount. Nevertheless, Countering Comprehensive Coercion also highlights how the targets of authoritarian political warfare campaigns can better position themselves to compete, not only by reducing their vulnerability but also by adopting more forward-leaning measures of their own.

Report: May 2018



Credibility Matters: Strengthening American Deterrence in an Age of Geopolitical Turmoil

Hal Brands, Eric Edelman, and Thomas G. Mahnken

Credibility – the degree to which an actor's threats and promises are believed by other actors in the international system-is an inherently intangible concept. Yet American credibility is nonetheless crucial to the stability of an international system that ultimately rests on U.S. alliance commitments and security guarantees.

If American credibility is strong, then adversaries will be deterred, allies will be reas-

sured, and relative geopolitical stability will prevail. If American credibility is weak, then adversaries will be emboldened, allies will be unnerved, and geopolitical revisionism and aggression will proliferate.

Today, America confronts a deepening crisis of credibility in global affairs, due to the military buildups and revisionist strategies being pursued by U.S. adversaries–and no less to the missteps of the United States itself. This report outlines a multi-pronged agenda for shoring up the credibility on which so much of U.S. foreign policy and the international order depends.

Report: April 2018



Human-Machine Teaming for Future Ground Forces Mick Ryan

By the middle of the 21st century, ground forces will employ tens of thousands of robots, and the decisions of human commanders will be shaped by artificial intelligence; trends in technology and warfare make this a near certainty. The military organizations of the United States and its allies and partners must plan now for this new era of warfare.

This study by Major General Mick Ryan (Australian Army) examines the key drivers, opportunities, and challenges for ground forces in developing future human-machine

teams. It provides an intellectual foundation for the detailed analysis of the personnel, equipment, training,

education, doctrine, sustainment, and infrastructure required by allied forces in the next five years and out to 2030 to build a future human-machine force. Ultimately, these efforts should be considered in order to explore the future potential of exploiting this as-yet-underdeveloped capability.

At an event hosted at CSBA on 25 April 2018, Dr. Thomas G. Mahnken led the discussion on human-machine teaming and trends in technology and warfare.



Report: April 2018



Sustaining the U.S. Nuclear Deterrent: The LRSO and GBSD

Mark Gunzinger, Carl Rehberg, and Gillian Evans

The threat of nuclear attack by a great power or a rogue state is a major reason why every U.S. administration since the end of the Cold War has validated the need to maintain a safe, secure, and credible nuclear triad. Russia maintains a large stockpile of nuclear warheads and continues to adhere to military doctrine that indicates it might be willing to use nuclear weapons to coerce the United States and its allies in a crisis. Both Russia and China are funding multiple programs to modernize their nuclear arsenals, and the proliferation of advanced military technologies has allowed

North Korea to fast-track its nuclear weapons development program.

Given this context, CSBA's new report assesses arguments that have been made for and against replacing DoD's nuclear Air-Launched Cruise Missile (ALCM) with the Long-Range Standoff (LRSO) weapon, and modernizing its Minuteman III ICBM force with the Ground-Based Strategic Deterrent (GBSD). DoD has invested hundreds of millions of dollars to extend ALCMs and Minuteman IIIs far past their original planned service lives. Today, it is increasingly apparent that these Cold War-era weapon systems will not meet future requirements, and further delaying their replacements could result in ALCM and Minuteman III inventories falling below the level needed to sustain the U.S. strategic deterrent posture.

Testimony: January 2018

Statement Before the House Armed Services Committee on Readying the U.S. Military for Future War *Thomas G. Mahnken*

Chairman Thornberry, Ranking Member Smith, and distinguished members of the Committee receive a statement on the need to prepare the U.S. military for the challenges of future war.

In recent years it has become apparent that we are living in a world characterized by peacetime competition between the United States, China, and Russia. Both the National Security Strategy and the National Defense Strategy have rightfully emphasized this. Of course, competition is not the same thing as conflict. Nor does competition necessarily lead to conflict. It must be admitted, however, that in addition to the reality of great power competition, we face an increasing possibility of great power war. The possibility is remote, but not inconceivable, and it is growing. What was once a hypothetical future contingency is now a real, and present, danger.



Dr. Thomas G. Mahnken participates in a discussion on the National Defense Strategy Commission Report, at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies on 28 November.

Book: January 2018

AMERICAN GRAND STRATEGY IN THE AGE OF TRUMP HAL BRANDS

American Grand Strategy in the Age of Trump

Hal Brands

American foreign policy is in a state of upheaval. The rise of Donald Trump and his "America First" platform have created more uncertainty about America's role in the world than at any time in recent decades. From the South China Sea, to the Middle East, to the Baltics and Eastern Europe, the geopolitical challenges to U.S. power and influence seem increasingly severe-and America's responses to those challenges seem increasingly unsure. Questions that once had widely accepted answers are now up for debate. What role should the United States play in the world? Can, and should, America continue to pursue an engaged and assertive strategy in global affairs?

In this book, a leading scholar of grand strategy helps to make sense of the headlines and the upheaval by providing sharp yet nuanced assessments of the most critical issues in American grand strategy today. Hal Brands asks, and answers, such questions as: Has America really blundered aimlessly in the world since the end of the Cold War, or has its grand strategy actually been mostly sensible and effective? Is America in terminal decline, or can it maintain its edge in a harsher and more competitive environment? Did the Obama administration pursue a policy of disastrous retrenchment, or did it execute a shrewd grand strategy focused on maximizing U.S. power for the long term? Does Donald Trump's presidency mean that American internationalism is dead? What type of grand strategy might America pursue in the age of Trump and after? What would happen if the United States radically pulled back from the world, as many leading academics-and, at certain moments, the current president-have advocated? How much military power does America need in the current international environment?

Grappling with these kinds of issues is essential to understanding the state of America's foreign relations today and what path the country might take in the years ahead. At a time when American grand strategy often seems consumed by crisis, this collection of essays provides an invaluable guide to thinking about both the recent past and the future of America's role in the world.



STRATEGIC CHOICES

CSBA plays an essential role in sparking a more informed debate on defense budgeting and resourcing. CSBA's Budgetary Studies and Strategic Choices program provides an independent source of budgetary analysis to help those both in and out of government understand budgetary trends, the near-and long-term implications of prospective tradeoffs, the second-order consequences of changes to the defense program, and how they fit within the overall context of U.S. defense policy and strategy.

Strategic Choices Exercises

CSBA's Strategic Choices Tool (SCT) has been enhanced and expanded to become one of the most powerful tools for defense strategy and budget planning and is the only tool of its kind. The SCT is designed to illuminate challenges and foster better linkages between the U.S. Defense budget and force structure. It accomplishes this by asking users to conduct long-term defense planning, develop new operational concepts, assess alternative force structures and postures, identify areas for greater investment or divestment, and evaluate the division of labor between the United States and its allies.

The Strategic Choices Tool allows users to explore alternatives defense investment priorities and develop strategies for future plans and programs, highlighting how future plans should differ from current plans. Driven by a user's view of threats to national security and the best strategy for addressing them, users rebalance defense force structure and investments over two five-year moves that correspond to consecutive Future Year Defense Programs. The U.S. tool includes over 1,200 force structure and capability options across twelve areas, including air, sea, ground, manpower, readiness, and R&D.

During the last two years, CSBA further refined and incorporated the SCT into its wargame methodology for a variety of organizations. This included directing exercises supporting U.S. government funded wargames, with foreign partners, undergraduate and graduate students, the U.S. Army War College, the Secretary of Defense's Corporate Fellows program, and for the Asia-Pacific Strategy course at Johns Hopkins University, organized by CSBA senior staff.

PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

CSBA seeks to educate the leaders of today and tomorrow on strategy, concepts, capabilities, and resources through a variety of public and professional education opportunities sponsored exclusively by CSBA or in conjunction with our academic and corporate sponsors.

Secretary of Defense Executive Fellows Program

The Secretary of Defense Executive Fellows (SDEFP) program was established by the Secretary of Defense in 1994 as a long-term investment in transforming U.S. forces and capabilities and is a key part of the Department of Defense (DoD) strategy to achieve its transformational goals.

Each year military officers and civilian employees from each military service are selected to receive their senior service college credit by training with sponsoring institutions (e.g., corporations, companies, commercial enterprises, etc.) that have earned a reputation for insightful long-range planning, organizational and management innovation, and implementation of new information and other technologies. Fellows form a cadre of future leaders who are knowledgeable in the organizational and operational opportunities made possible by their training throughout the year.

Before setting off to their sponsoring institutions, Fellows spend two weeks on site at CSBA participating in workshops that provide them with a basic understanding of a variety of defense topics ranging from military operations in Afghanistan, Iraq, and other geographic locations to cyber security and world demographics and their future security implications. The fellows' time at CSBA engages them in a structured discussion of first-order questions that shape national strategy and provide an examination of the transformations that may also be occurring in the corporate sector for their relevance to defense restructuring or planning.

Fellows have been assigned to such diverse and innovative businesses as: 3M, Accenture, Amazon, Amgen, Apple, Boeing, Booze Allen, Caterpillar, Cisco, DuPont, ExxonMobil, FedEx, General Dynamics, Google, Honeywell, Hewlett-Packard, Intel, JPMorgan Chase, Lockheed Martin, Merck, Microsoft, Morgan Stanley, Northrop Grumman, Oracle, Raytheon, Salesforce.com, SAP, Shell, Southern Company, SpaceX, Union Pacific, United Technologies, and more.



CSBA hosts the Strategy and Security Curriculum for the Secretary of Defense Executive Fellows Program, which focuses on strategy, global security challenges, defense economics, and innovation with lectures, seminar discussions, and a resourcing exercise.

Course: Strategy in the Asia-Pacific Region

In partnership with The Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), this annual course, run by Senior Fellow Toshi Yoshihara, provides participants with a unique opportunity to interact with leading scholars and policymakers.

Each year, participants learn about Asia's strategic importance, the great powers of the region, and the various U.S. strategies and operational concepts that might prove effective or beneficial in the region. Students are provided with an opportunity to test their own strategies for the region in a simulation-style wargame that serves as a capstone to the course. Past speakers have included Eliot Cohen, General John Keane, former Acting Chief of Staff of the Army; and former Congressman Randy Forbes.



Workshop: Comparing Defense Innovation in Advanced and Catch-up Countries

Organized by the University of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC), Johns Hopkins SAIS, and CSBA, this one-day workshop examined how countries have become, or are seeking to become, advanced defense technological and industrial powers.

The goal of the workshop was to identify essential political, economic, strategic, and institutional conditions and factors required for states to successfully embark upon significant programs of military technological and industrial development that could lead them to make major advances or for states that are already advanced to remain at the cutting edge.

Directed Energy Summit 2018

The 2018 Directed Energy Summit focused on informing decision-makers across the U.S. defense policy, operational, funding and acquisition communities on the potential development and deployment of directed energy (DE) capabilities (high energy lasers, high power microwave/RF systems, and electronic warfare) within the next five years. This two-day event, co-sponsored by Booz Allen Hamilton and CSBA, brought together more than 500 government and industry stakeholders within the first 60 days of the new administration and Congress.

Highlights included:

- Opening keynote from the Honorable Michael D. Griffin, Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering
- National security and defense strategy keynotes on the implications for Directed Energy by Dr. Nadia Schadlow, Deputy National Security for Strategy, and Elbridge Colby, DASD for Strategy and Force Development
- Congressional staff panel on prioritization of Directed Energy from Representative Tim Ryan, Senators
 Martin Heinrich and Mazie Hirono, and from Representatives Jim Langevin and Doug Lamborn
- Army initiatives on delivering warfighter capabilities
- Pacific theater challenges and the role of Directed Energy in addressing these challenges
- Impact of Directed Energy in protecting the homeland and diplomatic installations featuring Lieutenant General R. Scott Williams, Commander, 1 AF (Air Forces Northern), USAF
- · Closing keynote from General Robin Rand, Commander, Air Force Global Strike Command, USAF



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