



What's New?

Counter-terrorism Workshop: For 23 U.S. Allies/friends

Counter Drug Seminar: Assist State and Federal agencies' response efforts

Mobile Training Teams: Paraguay, Mexico . . .

DRMI: New class

LDESP: Kudos from the United Nations

Combating Terrorism

In-Residence: Civil-Military Responses to Terrorism Seminar, 19-30 April: 30 military and civilian students from 23 countries attended our latest course on the challenges of terrorism—how best to prevent or manage the consequences of a terrorist attack. Participants welcomed the opportunity to discuss their country's efforts, shared knowledge, and learn about “regional approaches” to combating terrorism.



Paraguay: Regional Combating Terrorism Seminar, 23-27 February: 55 military officers and civilian officials from 11 Latin American countries and six U.S. officers from the Southern Command, attended a 5-day seminar on combating terrorism conducted by SIGS staff (Paul Shemella and others) in Asuncion, Paraguay. Among the many positive outcomes of the seminar was a list of “Group Recommendations”—collective measures that governments in the Western Hemisphere can undertake in response to terrorism. A follow-on event is planned for FY05.

[Read more about other CT courses \(next page\)](#)

The Dean's Corner

>> Congratulations:

A big applause to the following SIGS personnel and department for their outstanding contributions to the war on terrorism and humanitarian efforts:

- **Dr. Barak Salmoni** – (Iraq) a professor at the National Security Department, was instrumental in preparing the 1st Marines Division for the challenges they faced in dealing with the political/military/cultural dynamics of the country. MajGen James Mattis, USMC, Commander, 1st Marine Division, was so impressed with Dr. Salmoni's performance that he not only send a commendation letter, but also an invitation for Dr. Salmoni's return to Iraq to assist the 1st Marine Division in developing the Iraqi Security Force.
- **LDESP** – (Kosovo) the United Nation's High Commissioner for Refugees' (UNHCR) office in Bosnia applauded the Leadership Development and Education for Sustained Peace (LDESP), a program for the National Guard, for their contribution in the riots in March 2004 (resulting from the transfer of power on 24 February 2004). LDESP was in-country September 2003 and January 2004 to train various KFOR brigade leaders and staff. UNHCR noted that those areas with LDESP trained units had lower incidents of casualties, enabling UNHCR to do its job more quickly and saving more lives.

>> Visitors:

- **Ryan Henry**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), visited SIGS on February 22nd to discuss an OSD study on regional centers.
- **Katherine Peterson**, Director, Foreign Service Institute, State Department, met with Dean Ord to discuss cooperative efforts, e.g. faculty exchange.

Defense Resources Management Institute (DRMI):

International Defense Management Course, 19 April – 13 May 2004: DRMI has just kicked off another new class. 31 international officers from 11 different countries are participating in this 4-week course along with 14 U.S. students (from DoD, Army, Navy, and others). Together, both U.S. and international students will share knowledge and expertise on how best to manage limited defense resources.

Participants from the following countries attended the DRMI course:

Mexico: Combating Terrorism (CT) Seminar (1-3 March): Following their visit to Paraguay, the Combating Terrorism team traveled to Mexico City to conduct its first-ever CT seminar with the country. 50 Mexican military officers attended the event. Additional seminars in Mexico are planned for this year:

- One focusing on legislative relations with defense;
- The other dealing with managing the consequences of terrorist attack.

Department News & Updates:

International Defense Acquisition Resources Management Drug Control Policy and Strategy Course (5-8 April):

13 U.S. and international students from various State and Federal agencies (DEA, National Guard, U.S. Coast Guard, Thailand, Latvia, etc.) were on hand to meet and discuss with drug policy experts about how best to develop interagency policy strategies and other aspects of the war on drugs. Course focused on both U.S. and global drug enforcement efforts.

POLAND: Visit by Deputy Director MUT

On 1-4 March, **Radoslaw Trebinski**, Deputy Director, Military University of Technology (MUT) in Warsaw, Poland, signed a Statement of Intent with Rear Adm. Dunne, Superintendent, Naval Postgraduate School for joint cooperative efforts.



NPS's Superintendent With Poland's DepDir, MUT Mr. Trebinski

In-Residence Courses: March 2004

- Principles of Defense Acquisition Management: The International Defense Acquisition Resource Management (IDARM) office hosted 15 international students (military and civilian) from eight countries on this successful course. Next class: 8-19 November.



UPCOMING EVENTS



METS (Projected):

CCMR:

- **May 3-14:** Malta
- **May 31-4 June:** Romania

DRMI:

- **May 3-14:** Argentina

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| • Belgium | Germany | Israel | Italy |
| • Jordan | Kuwait | Malaysia | Norway |
| • Philippines | Spain | Ukraine | U.S. |

Leadership Development and Education for Sustained Peace (LDESP):

Iraq--116th Brigade Combat Team, USANG: April 2004: LDESP hosted 80 members of the 116th Brigade Combat Team for a 3-day seminar before their deployment to Iraq. Course focused on assisting the senior leadership (brigade and battalion commanders, staff, NCO, and others) in dealing with the complex, ambiguous, and ever changing environment in Iraq.

National Security Affairs (NSA):

Afghanistan: Two Command Conferences. **Douglas Porch**, a professor at NSA, led two command conferences for staff officers in Baghram, Afghanistan, in April on the French strategy and tactics in the Algerian.

Iraq Briefings: CIA and NIC

Vali Nasr, a professor at NSA, briefed the CIA and the National Intelligence Council (NIC) about his analysis on the current state of war in Iraq and its regional implications. Additionally, Professor Nasr published a number of articles on Iraq:

- "Iraq's Real Holy War", *New York Times* (March 6, 2004)
- "Understanding Sistani's Role", *Washington Post* (April 19, 2004)
- "Regional Implications of the Shia Revival in Iraq", *Washington Quarterly*, Summer 2004.

Conferences: Post-Saddam

James Russell, senior lecturer at NSA and Center for Contemporary Conflict, organized and co-hosted two conferences in Washington DC on February 9th and April 23rd addressing different aspects of the post Saddam security environment in the Middle East.

- February 9th event addressed the topic: "*Security Architectures in the Post-Saddam Middle East: Choices and Opportunities*"; and
- April 23rd event address the topic: "*Theocracy, Plutocracy and Democracy: The Middle East in Political Transition.*"

The events are being supported by funding from the NIC and the Defense Intelligence Agency. The Center for Contemporary Conflict is partnering with the Center for Naval Analyses on the project. A third conference on terrorism is planned for the summer.

Congratulations to: LCDR David Adams, a NSA's alumnus, who won the Naval Institute's highest honor for an essay on electromagnetic rail guns, titled "Naval Rail Guns are Revolutionary". Article discussed the importance of rail guns for surface ships.