Greetings from APCSS! We have just completed another fulfilling year, working carefully to help key leaders throughout the Asia-Pacific region enhance their knowledge, skills and networks. Our graduates, and their bosses, tell us we are succeeding in what we are attempting.

In this edition of Currents we offer a brief review of recent events, we introduce some new APCSS initiatives, and we allow you to catch up on what your fellow Alumni are accomplishing.

Perhaps, the “thread” throughout this edition is the emphasis on leader empowerment. For over 12 years APCSS has been helping accomplished leaders get better at what they do. It has proven effective as an enabler. And, by helping to enable leaders, APCSS has also helped to empower them.

Every Currents reviews some of what we are doing and assesses what we think we are accomplishing. What we are confident is working at APCSS is our shared-learning model. By all measures we apply in everything we do, participants in our programs are helping each other to expand capacities—leader and institutional—capacities now in being, as well as ones all see as needed ahead.

Our courses in Hawaii and our outreach events in the region link regional and global security environments. They foster broader understanding. They invite mature judgment and action where needed. In all we do, we attempt to improve content focus and applied format. We also aim at a wider introduction of available decision-critical information, wherever such is available, from latest journal entries to lucrative internet websites. In course-work, we are identifying best-practice security analysis and decision-aid frameworks used by reputable, authoritative organizations around the globe, those governmental, non-governmental, commercial-enterprise, and informational. We are also exploring more precise and timely ways to keep leaders informed with essential information about security-related trends in our region, anticipating opportunities to exploit success, as well as avoid shocks that threaten regional and global systems.

We are continuing to develop a series of partnered workshop opportunities in region, all with high-payoff potential. Events in 2008 will occur in several countries, as well as in Hawaii, and those in 2009 will sustain our commitment to addressing the most complex Asia-Pacific security challenges in a comprehensive, whole-of-government (and beyond) fashion, within nations and among them. Our parallel emphasis on roles and responsibilities of international organizations will continue.

Our efforts are always rewarded. Our APCSS Alumni validate our reason for being:

--Helping to attract the very best participants to our courses in Hawaii.
--Helping to achieve intended outcomes at regional events. And,
--Becoming contributors to national and multi-national security-cooperation efforts, routinely.

It’s all about leaders helping each other. Enabling to empower.

Aloha from Honolulu!
TAP-into collaborative systems

The last issue of Currents discussed the possibility of establishing a team to focus on trend analysis by using expertise from APCSS as well as the Pacific Disaster Center (PDC). The reality of that idea is the Trend Analysis Program (TAP), launched in August.

TAP will serve as a catalyst for a community of experts interested in improved understanding of disaster management (DM) and its relationship to governance and human security. TAP will contribute to efforts designed to strengthen disaster resilience, enhance human security, and contribute to efforts designed to improve regional security. Our plan is a three-pronged approach consisting of virtual and ‘real’ information-sharing and data visualization techniques.

The initial product is a collaborative portal called the Asia Pacific Collaborative Security Consortium (APCSC) portal (now operational at http://apcsc.apan-info.net/). Our goal is to provide a high-performance, community-enhancing network that includes APCSS alumni and faculty, first-responders, decision-makers, and civilian and military disaster response organizations.

The second product of this collaboration, created in partnership with the PDC, is a Geospatial Information System (GIS)-based analytical tool to display comprehensive security factors, risk factors, and vulnerability assessments on a scalable map projection. A series of written products, in a format and schedule to be developed over the next two months, will be the third method of information-sharing. These products may be written by the trends analysis staff, other interested faculty, or collaborators.

These initiatives will build a community of interest and action, and in doing this we hope to increase understanding of the social, economic, cultural and other intangible factors which affect societies’ disaster resilience. The increased understanding will enable more useful and focused action to build capacity and reduce the risk of regional shocks affecting all of us.

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Visitors


Dr. Song Young-Sun, a member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea visited the Center in September.


Amb. David Blinna is the new Australian Consul General on Oahu. He is also an alumni - EC01-1

On island to study DoD efforts to reduce problems faced by military children faced with switching schools frequently, Dr. David Chu, Principal Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, paid a visit to the Center on July 19. While here, he participated in a VTC with Headquarters, Department of Defense Education Activity in D.C.

PLA Lieutenant General WEN Xisen (President, National University of Defense Technology) visited APCSS.

HASC Members visit APCSS

The APCSS Foundation held a mid-year meeting to get an update on the latest happenings here. Foundation members were briefed on recent Outreach events including workshops held in Brunei and Bangladesh. They also received an update on new technology deployment into the seminar rooms, the Trends Analysis Program and ways that APCSS is staying connected to our Alumni.

According to Foundation President Gerald Sumida, “The Center continues to play an increasingly vital role in the Asia-Pacific region, and we are very pleased to help to support its critical mission. This mid-year meeting provided us an interim report on the Center’s programs, and also gave us a chance to visit with current ASC Fellows and hear their perspectives on the Center and its work.”

In turn the meeting also gave the Fellows a chance to meet Foundation members which included prominent Honolulu business and civic leaders and retired senior military leaders.

APCSS Plans Joint Workshop With Marshall Center

As globalization further blurs the boundaries between regional issues, APCSS and the Marshall Center are studying a concept for a joint workshop on inter-regional security issues. The proposed workshops will involve distinguished alumni from both Centers. The overall workshop series objective is to enhance inter-regional understanding and security cooperation related to current and future critical security issues in each region which impact the rest of the world. Topics may include: current and anticipated regional and global security challenges, confidence-building and preventive diplomacy, role of multilateral security organizations, civil-military relations and security sector reform, transnational security challenges, whole-of-government stability challenges, natural disaster management and others.

The workshop would be held annually alternating between Honolulu and Garmisch, Germany.

Disaster Management Workshop Scheduled in Mongolia

A Disaster Management Workshop will be held in Mongolia in March 2008. The focus of seminar discussions will be how the Mongolian government can manage disaster relief and humanitarian-assistance efforts during a crisis situation. Included in such discussions are: (1) HA/DR management facility requirements; (2) procedures for timely and accurate situational understanding of the various dimensions of the disaster; (3) methods of coordinating and supervising internal government and non-government response efforts; and (4) managing the interface with involved external organizations.

Springtime Legislators Workshop

APCSS is currently planning a workshop designed to introduce members of democratic governments in the Asia-Pacific to the principle of legislative oversight of the security sector within the framework of good governance. Tentatively schedule for Spring 2008, this workshop is in support of a U.S. House Armed Services Committee initiative to conduct this program globally.
Faculty Members on the Move

APCSS bids farewell to a senior faculty member
Dr. Don Berlin, who retired after 26 years of service. He was one of the first faculty members hired at the Center.

Dr. John Miller also retired last summer. He had been a key faculty member with the Center since August 2000.

Air Force Lt. Col. Carl Baker retired, after more than 20 years of service.

Navy Capt. Carleton Cramer recently retired from active duty after 27 years of honorable service. His retirement from the Navy doesn’t mean that he’ll be leaving APCSS. He was recently hired as a civilian faculty member and will continue to serve as the program manager for the Comprehensive Security Responses to Terrorism Program.

Last summer retired Navy Cmdr. Francis Omori served as an adjunct faculty member. She is currently working on her Ph.D. Army Research Fellow Lt. Col. Greg McGaure departed APCSS and has been replaced by Lt. Col. Bill Harmon.

O’Donnell joins staff as New International Law Professor


Some of Cmdr. O’Donnell’s other military assignments include: International Law Professor and Legal Advisor for Naval War College; Naval Warfare Development Command, Newport, R.I.; Deputy Fleet Judge Advocate, Commander SEVENTH Fleet, forward deployed to Yokosuka, Japan; Senior Prosecutor and Civil Law Department head, Navy Legal Service Office, Yokosuka, Japan; Command Judge Advocate and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney, NAS North Island, Calif.; Deputy Judge Advocate, USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN-72), NAS Alameda, Calif.; and, Prosecutor and Defense Counsel, Naval Legal Service Office Det., NAS Whidbey Island, Wash.

O’Donnell graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a B.A. in Political Science and a minor in Sociology. He earned his Juris Doctor at the Univ. of Richmond and Masters of Law in International Law from the Univ. of Virginia. Cmdr. O’Donnell is an honor graduate from the Naval Justice School and has been selected as Foreign Area Officer for East Asia and the Pacific. He was a contributing editor on Computer Network Attack and International Law (issued as: International Law Studies, vol. 76, 2002) and co-author of Humanitarian Law: Developing International Rules for the Digital Battlefield; Journal of Conflict and Security Law Volume 8, Number 1, March 2003.

A member of Virginia Bar, Cmdr. O’Donnell is admitted to practice before the Virginia Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States District Court, Eastern District of Virginia.

Faculty Spotlight: Miemie Winn Byrd

Miemie Winn Byrd
Associate Professor
Specialty: Asia-Pacific economics and underlying socio-economic conditions that contribute to terrorism and violent extremism

man suffering? When I talk about poverty, it’s not just a concept or theory. I lived it — a third world poverty. I’ve also been interested in organizational change/ transformation and strategy. If I ever go back into the private sector, I think I will go into corporate strategy rather than go back to finance and accounting.

Where were you born & raised? I was born in Thonze (about 30 miles north of Rangoon), Burma (Myanmar). My family emigrated to the U.S. when I was 14, so I grew up in the greater Los Angeles area.

Where did you go to school? Claremont McKenna College (BA in Economics and Accounting) and Univ. of Hawaii (MBA with emphasis in Asia-Pacific Economics and Business)

What are your hobbies? My favorite sports is tennis. I grew up watching Chris Everett, Tracy Austin, and Martina Navratilova. That was the golden age of women tennis in my opinion. I love all kinds of outdoor sports and since I’ve been in Hawaii, I’ve gotten into water sports: swimming, kayaking, boogie boarding, snorkeling, and SCUBA diving. My husband has a sailboat so we spend a lot of time on the boat — more time fixing the boat, than sailing.


What would you like to achieve while you are here at APCSS? I want to change the world for the better. Learn to be a scholar and hope to help the military and defense practitioners understand how international economics and businesses are elements of the security equation.

Read Ms. Byrd’s official bio on line at: http://www.apcoss.org/core/BIOs/byrd/byrd.html

Most interesting work experience? Being a member of the management team for a dot-com (Wyzdom.com) during the dot-com boom in the San Francisco Bay Area, and also accompanying the U.S. delegation into Rangoon as a linguist/cultural advisor to negotiate for POW/ MIA recovery mission in Burma.

What’s in your CD player? The best of Jimmy Buffett

...and on the Road

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Dr. Denny Roy recently departed the Center following seven years as a faculty member. He served as the subject matter expert for Northeast Asia/China and led the College Publication Program. Roy is now serving in a new position at the East-West Center here in Honolulu.

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Transnational Security Cooperation
Senior Executive Course TSC07-2

Twenty-two senior leaders graduated from the Senior Executive: Transnational Security Cooperation course in August. They included military and civilian leaders representing 19 regional entities from: Australia, Brunei, Cambodia, Canada, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, and the United States.

The course is an intensive program for current and future senior regional influencers/leaders; military officers at the one- to four-star level, as well as their civilian equivalents from the Asia-Pacific Region. Curriculum emphasizes the impact of current and future change in the region, as impacted by regional and global security threats. The course includes guest speakers, interactive seminar workshop scenarios addressing complicated transnational threats, and discussions with senior U.S. Pacific Command officials, all intended to share perspectives and further identify cooperative approaches to transnational security issues of common concern.

In December, 74 senior military and civilian government leaders, from 37 countries throughout the region, graduated from the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies “Advanced Security Cooperation Course,” also known as the Executive Course.

Countries represented at the six-week course were: American Samoa, Australia, Bangladesh, Brunei, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, Comoros, Guam, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, Laos, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Micronesia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, Tuvalu, United States, Vanuatu, and Vietnam.

The course had been in transition over the last two years and that transition is almost now complete, according to course manager Dr. Rouben Azizian. “In the past, the course was primarily a survey of major international security topics and issues,” said Azizian. “Now the focus is on capacity building through regional cooperation as well as development of skills of multinational leadership. It is important to ensure a comfort zone for regional cooperation by allowing the Fellows to see its merits through a combination of interactive discussions and practical exercises. You can’t and should not force nations into cooperation unless and until they realize its benefits in today’s complex security environment. Wanting to cooperate and actually cooperating are two different things, however. Regional cooperation has its logic and dynamics, it varies from subregion to subregion, it can be effective or nominal, systemic or occasional. What are the best ways of accomplishing regional cooperation goals? How do you provide incentives and assure there are no hidden agendas? What are the best practices of cooperation and how to apply them broadly? It becomes an area of study that is important in itself because we can’t take it for granted. We have to work to get there and the structure of the course is designed to support that.”

In addition to the core course, the ASC also uses electives and Brown Bag lunches to cover additional topics that might interest the Fellows. So the survey part has now moved from the core course to electives and Brown Bags although the continued on next page

Advanced Security Cooperation
Executive Course EC07-2

ASC07-2 Family members visit the Center.

ASC07-2
Advanced Security Cooperation (continued)

For the first time, the ASC also conducted a workshop for professional discussions. By breaking the class into professional groups of military, law enforcement and diplomats, the Fellows were given a chance to exchange ideas and best practices of their national agencies. The three groups was later mixed again in a subregional format to look at interagency aspects of security cooperation and ways of improving it.

In the capstone exercise, each seminar group was asked to select two significant security trends in the region and offer recommendations on how to respond to them from an interagency and multilateral perspective. The seminars briefed the panel chaired by the Dean and answered the panel’s questions. The Fellows seemed satisfied by their group performance and at the same time challenged by the amount of work that needs to be done in the region to maintain its security and prosperity.

If that is the case, then ASC07-2 fulfilled its goal by providing 74 regional security practitioners with new knowledge, skills and experience as well as a lifetime network for continued discussions and exchanges of information in their now alumni status.

“Risk Assessment Methods, Policies and Issues” was a new elective offered at the recent Advanced Security Cooperation Course (ASC07-2). A unique elective focused on risk assessment methods, tools and applications and uses, it was also unique in that it was the first time a professor from one of our partner organizations taught a class here.

Mr. Stanley Goosby has been Chief Scientist for Pacific Disaster Center since 1996. He has more than 25 years experience in earth science disciplines relevant to natural disaster modeling, scenario simulation and natural hazard phenomenology. He has led and managed teams analyzing geophysical hazards and phenomena resulting from tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic activity in American Samoa, Vanuatu, Thailand and the Philippines.

Stanley Goosby, Chief Scientist
Comprehensive Security Responses to Terrorism

Sixty military and civilian participants from 27 countries throughout the Asia-Pacific region attended the three-week “Comprehensive Security Responses to Terrorism” course held July 31 through August 22.

The course is designed to build relationships focused on ways to enhance cooperation bilaterally, regionally and globally and work together to respond to threats of terrorism. It also helps to develop the trust and confidence necessary to increase information sharing, and to identify and reduce obstacles to cooperation.

Participating in the CSRT course were representatives from Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, Chile, El Salvador, Guam, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Kenya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mongolia, Mozambique, Nepal, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Turkey, United States and Vietnam.

The Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies has changed the name of the Security, Stability, Transition and Reconstruction (SSTR) course. The new title, “Comprehensive Crisis Management: Preventing, Preparing, and Responding” (CCM) course, reflects a shift in emphasis toward a more even balance of preventing and preparing for crises with crisis response.

According to course manager Herman Finley, “The new course focus will deepen attendees’ abilities to understand and deal with the multi-faceted, interdependent nature of both natural and man-made crises.”

Since the 2005 Tsunami in the Indian Ocean, the international community has spent much time and effort thinking about how to respond to catastrophic natural events. That effort has occurred as military and diplomatic forces were also looking at responses to man-made emergencies. Both groups evolved towards recognition that prevention and mitigation were the most cost effective approach while continuing to see rapid, effective response as both a human and political imperative.

The SSTR course was developed during the initial thinking about responding to man-made political/military disasters and was heavily influenced by U.S. thinking. “SSTR” was a U.S. term that was not well understood in other nations, which led to uncertainty about U.S. policy aims as well as what exactly SSTR entailed.

The new course title shifts the focus to be more in line with current thinking about how to deal with both man-made and natural crises.

“Crises are comprehensive in nature; they involve, in interdependent ways, all elements of security including political, social, economic, military, etc. and multiple, interactive players such as domestic, international and non-governmental,” said Finley.

“The degree to which we can build resilience into our societies will greatly influence the long-term impact of any crisis. While crises are often thought of as time-bound, having a beginning and an end, in fact they have deep roots in the past and long shadows into the future. A major skill involved in crisis management is the smooth interplay between routine activities (normally focused on building a better, more efficient society) and the extraordinary requirements of life saving and damage mitigation throughout the life-cycle of a crisis situation.

“By working together, multilaterally, we can better take actions to prevent routine difficulties from collapsing into crisis and to respond to crises that do occur in ways that reduce the near-term impact and set the stage for mid-term return to a sustainable development path,” he added.
Asia-Pacific Orientation Course

APOC 07-2 and APOC 07-3 in September were the first runs of this newly instituted course, the Asia Pacific Orientation Course focuses on trends and current issues shaping the Asia-Pacific security environment, with an introduction to Asia-Pacific cultures, politics, protocols and challenges, while addressing U.S. interests in the region. The curriculum broadly examines: security foundations, regional security perspectives, country specific issues, regional cooperation on interstate challenges, and regional responses to transnational challenges.

Attention is given to both historical and emerging issues. This rigorous program of lectures, interactive sessions, and topical seminars better equips graduating course Fellows with tools and policy perspectives important for duties at U.S. PACOM, its components, and interagency organizations/headquarters.

In the words of the APOC Fellows: “This course provided a thorough overview of the pertinent issues facing the Asia-Pacific region. It provided me with better knowledge of the countries and issues that are currently molding the geo-political and economic landscape to the region.” It “raised my awareness of some of the unique challenges Asia faces... and gave me awareness of resources that will be useful in the future.”

Fellows resoundingly declared they increased their knowledge and understanding on the importance of regional security cooperation. “The course provided me a better insight to how the interagency processes work.” Fellows are “convinced more than ever, that security cooperation needs to be enhanced throughout the region.” “Cooperation is needed to build momentum, keep dialogue open, build trust and encourage transparency, and finally strive for stability and security for those areas involved.”

The course also “served to make me more aware of efforts being undertaken on the part of nations, governments and organizations to see that the region grows and moves forward in a harmonious way.” Through the course, they “have seen the complexity of the security issues at hand, and the necessity to continue dialogue with other agencies and nationals.”
Focusing on Disaster Management

Outreach event in Brunei Darussalam brings together DM experts

A major storm helped set the scene for a disaster management workshop held last summer in Brunei Darussalam.

Several days after the real storm, the previously-planned Disaster Management Workshop was held July 30 to August 2. It was sponsored by the one-year-old Brunei National Disaster Management Centre (NDMC) and the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, supported by APCSS and NDMC.

The workshop was opened with keynote addresses by the Minister of Home Affairs Prince Haji Hamzah and the U.S. Ambassador to Brunei, Mr. Khamphao Hompangna, NDMC director; Mr. Yahya Bin Haji Abdul Rahman, NDMC director; and Mr. Yahya Bin Haji Abdul Rahman, NDMC director; and Mr. Yahya Bin Haji Abdul Rahman, NDMC director; and Mr. Yahya Bin Haji Abdul Rahman, NDMC director; and Mr. Yahya Bin Haji Abdul Rahman, NDMC director; and Dr. Zulkarnain bin Hanafi; Mr. John Livengood of the Pacific Disaster Center; Mr. James Petroni, a disaster management specialist; and APCSS professors Herman Finley and Tom Peterman.

The objectives of the workshop included:

1 – Developing strategic plans for national disaster management;
2 – Improving Government of Brunei options for facilitation, coordination, control and command activities in event of a disaster;
3 – Fostering a sense of urgency in establishing an increased capacity to prepare for and deal with local and regional disasters in a cooperative, integrated fashion;
4 – Taking advantage of and contributing to ASEAN’s developing DM policies and initiatives.

The result of the workshop was a detailed briefing on recommended next steps needed for implementing an improved Brunei strategy for their disaster management system. This brief was presented to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs by the NDMC Director.

Attendees included 48 intra-government officials from 21 various ministry departments, three regional districts, the armed forces, the police and select media. Among the participants was Princess Mansurah Izzul Bolkiah.

During the workshop attendees discussed improving current disaster management plans and creating more effective and efficient future plans. It included presentations by subject-matter experts and a two-part table-top exercise.

The Conference team has gone through many changes in the last few years. From organizing large-scale conferences in Honolulu to now organizing workshops in places like Nepal, Bangladesh, Cambodia, and more, the team has learned a great deal about international relations and conference coordination. For every faculty member leading a conference, there has been a conference coordinator making sure that everything was going smoothly behind the scenes. We asked them “what stands out in your mind when you think of the Outreach programs you have worked on?”

Cherriellyn Kamahele

“While in Phnom Penh, Cambodia for a conference on ‘Managing Porous Borders In Southeast Asia’ in early March 2007, I experienced first hand a Porous Border. We actually drove to one of the borders and experienced the border-control challenges in Southeast Asia. The people were very warm, welcoming, and eager to be in our photographs. After the conference, we hosted an APCSS alumni event where 29 military and civilian leaders from the Government of Cambodia attended. The attendees were so happy to see APCSS faculty and each other to share in an evening of networking with each other. In fact, two of the senior officers flew in for the event, one from Stem Reap and another left a family engagement to fly in for the event. It was a very rewarding experience to be a part of this Outreach event with the people of the Kingdom of Cambodia.”

Lenore Patton

“Flying into Bandar Seri Begawan Brunei to conduct a Disaster Management Workshop with the Government of Brunei, I knew our APCSS team was there to assist in something meaningful and important, but I never expected to arrive into the country immediately following an actual natural disaster. Upon our arrival, we were advised that the country’s famous Water Village had received considerable damage in a rain-storm that ended the day before we arrived. This put a concentrated focus on what APCSS was there to accomplish and all of our attendees came to the workshop knowing we had a real task at hand and were ready to roll up their sleeves and get to work. I truly enjoyed my time spent in Brunei and the opportunity to work along side the many professionals in their government.”

Lt. Cmdr. Liz Tanaka, U.S. Navy

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Lenore Patton (center) stands with a few of the Brunei workshop coordinators from the National Disaster Management Centre.

Lt. Cmdr. Liz Tanaka (left) during a recent trip to Mongolia with Col. Charlie King and Col. (Ret.) Dave Shanahan.

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Bangladesh
Focusing on governance and security reforms

“Democratic Transition, Responsible Governance and Security Sector Reform” was the focus of a five-day workshop held in Bangladesh last August.

According to APCSS professor Dr. Rouben Azizian, “the workshop, which was conducted in a very sensitive period of Bangladeshi political life following the introduction on January 11, 2007 of an emergency rule, offered a unique opportunity for the current and emerging leaders of the Bangladeshi society, representing the government, security forces and civil society, to exchange ideas on immediate and long-term needs of the country in terms of re-invigorating the democratic governance and advancing the security sector reform.”

Held August 12-16 in Dhaka, the workshop was co-sponsored by the Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BIISS), APCSS, and U.S. Pacific Command.

The opening ceremony included a speech by Bangladesh President Iajuddin Ahmed. According to The Daily Star newspaper, Iajuddin “called for a capable, honest and accountable administration and patriotic and responsible leaders, otherwise risk facing a dysfunctional and immature democracy.”

U.S. Charge d’Affairs Geeta Pasi also addressed the audience calling the session a timely opportunity to reflect upon the evolution of Bangladesh’s political and security environment.

“Bangladesh has entered an unprecedented period of reform since January 11,” said Pasi. “As Bangladesh seeks to determine a path for this country that is free of corruption, violence, and political feuding, the foundation you lay during this interim period is crucial. The foundation must support the finished structure—if it is built with democratic principles and respect for human rights at its core, then freedom, productivity and stability can flourish. But…if the foundation is laid with elements that are themselves undemocratic, the future of the democratic system itself will be jeopardized.”

The workshop included presentations and discussion about government and security sector reforms. Participants contributed to a framework for recommend- ed future improvements.

APCSS director retired U.S. Army Lt. Gen. Ed Smith, stated that there are three main considerations for effective reform: to have popular recognition that change is needed, a well-planned roadmap, and continuing the initiative to ensure that the reforms do not lag.

Recommendations identified include:

- Effective parliament
- Political party reform
- Combating corruption
- Enhancing the National Security Council
- Appointment of a full-time defence minister
- Enhancing the professionalism of the security forces
- Enacting appropriate legislation for public order

“There was a general acknowledgement by the participants that despite different political perspectives or competing security priorities, leading at times to heated debates, the workshop ended with an impressive list of recommendations which reflect a strong consensus in the Bangladeshi society regarding the main direction of political and security reforms,” said Azizian. “The APCSS team was there to assist the Bangladeshi participants in identifying their commonalities and sideling the differences. Working the concrete issues related to practical implementation of the recommendations is a task the relevant Bangladeshi agencies will have to pursue.”

Other APCSS team members participating included: Dr. Elizabeth Van Wie Davis, Deputy Dean Dave Shanahan, Devonn Wood, and Maj. Bryan Greenstein.

Nepal Hosts Security Sector Reform Workshop
Between May 28-June 1, a Center for Civil-Military Relations (CCMR) team and representatives from the Nepal-based South Asia Center for Policy Studies (SACEPS) and the Asia Pacific Center of Security Studies (APCSS) co-hosted a workshop in Kathmandu, Nepal. The program fostered dynamic dialogue and promoted consensus among Nepalese civilians and security sector personnel regarding Nepal’s ongoing Democratic Transitions particularly in the area of Security Sector Reform.

Spotlight on Bangladesh
Alumni: 145
- Defense: 100
- Diplomacy: 22
- Other: 23

The workshop was attended by more than 200 academic, political, civilian, and military leaders from Bangladesh.
Regional Counterparts Gather to Share Ideas

Identifying major security-cooperation challenges and related practitioner knowledge and skills needed, comparing learning models and identifying potential collaboration interfaces and initiatives related to security practitioner education and leader-development was the focus of the Regional Counterparts Collaboration Workshop held in Hawaii November 14-16.

APCSS hosted the collaborative multi-national workshop of presiding officials from security studies institutes across the Asia-Pacific region. According to workshop coordinator, Captain Brad Smith, “The workshop provided a unique venue to share ideas on what we each uniquely and commonly do, how we do it in ways that make it highly attractive to the right Asia-Pacific security practitioners, and where there are interfaces that can be profitable for future partnering, leveraging, and capacity building.”

Attending the workshop were 13 Directors/Deans or designated proxies of security studies institutes from Australia, Bangladesh, India, Republic of Korea, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, U.S., and Vietnam. Officials from Office of the U.S. Secretary of Defense, and U.S. Pacific Command also participated in the event.

Other workshop objectives included: Identifying potential research partnering and faculty exchange opportunities and means; potential collaboration initiatives that participant organizations may further study; and the next steps for what participants want to do together.

As a result of the workshop, the participants identified priority educational requirements such as: 1) Broadening knowledge —Stovepipe busting/integrated knowledge; better understanding of historical, societal, and geo-political context; tri-lateral thinking (understanding national, regional, and global implications); analyzing emerging issues; 2) Sharp-enning skills — Emphasize critical and creative thinking; improve diplomatic skills in media management, cross-cultural communication, listening skills, negotiation, results-driven outcomes, risk assessment, scenario building; change management; leveraging information technology; and 3) Building relationships — Strengthen networks among fellows and between and among institutions; staff and fellows exchanges; partnered outreach; collaborative research; diversify audiences; publication exchange.

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Group Works on Building Confidence & Security

By Dr. David Fouse

As part of its ongoing efforts to support security cooperation in Northeast Asia, APCSS, in conjunction with the Stanley Foundation, is in the process of conducting a yearlong working group for East Asia Confidence and Security Building Measures (CSBMs) composed of three National Study Groups—one in each the United States, Japan, and China—to develop a concrete and realistic menu of confidence and security building measures that can be implemented to contribute to reducing the dangers of misunderstanding, miscalculation, and conflict, and to the misapprehension of military activities.

A planning phase meeting was held at APCSS in January 2007. At this meeting the working group made progress toward developing a common language and understanding with which to discuss possible confidence and security building measures between our three countries, established a menu or list of both traditional and nontraditional confidence and security building measures for the national teams to explore, and produced a common timeline for future meetings and the submission of the proposals of each national team.

In August a second meeting of the national teams was held in Shanghai, China under the co-sponsorship of the Shanghai Institute for International Studies. The Shanghai meeting was intended to give each team a chance to begin airing proposals for trilateral CSBMs based upon the criteria developed in the Honolulu meeting of January 2007.

Most recently the group met in Hawaii in December 2007 to discuss their individual lists of concrete CSBM proposals. The national teams will soon present their findings, comparing recommendations, and draft consensus CSBM recommendations to the governments of their country.

Attendees are preparing to present confidence and security building recommendations to their governments in the coming months.

Upcoming Events

APCSS is working with several countries in the region on upcoming outreach events and workshops. Some tentatively scheduled will be held in:
- Australia
- Korea
- Mongolia
- Malaysia

For updated information on these events please go to our website at www.apcss.org

Dr. Akutsu Hironosu of the Okazaki Institute, Lt. Gen. Smith and Dr. Chen Dongxiao of the Shanghai Institute for International Studies listen to discussions during the East Asia Confidence and Security Building Measures (CSBMs) workshop.

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Geoff Peterson, of the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (Australia), Ambassador Mufheh Osmayn of Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies, Dr. Shanthie D’Souza of the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (India); and Brigadier General Park Jong Wang of the Korea National Defense University.

Next steps include developing collaboration opportunities and information sharing. The Centers/Institutes are posting academic calendars, course syllabi, and research and publication web links in the Regional Counterparts Collaboration Workshop folder established at APCSS’s Asia-Pacific Collaboration Security Consortium (APCSS) portal (http://apcss.apan-info.net/).

Participants included: the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (CDSS) - Australian Defence College, Bangladeshi Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BISS); Institute for Defence Studies and Analysis (IDSA) - New Delhi, India; Korean National Defense University (KNDU); South Asia Centre for Policy Studies (SACEPS) - Nepal; New Zealand Defence College (NZDC); National Defence University Pakistan (NDU); National Defense College of the Philippines (NDCP); S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) - Singapore; National Defence College of Thailand (NDC), Center of Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (COE) – Honolulu; APCSS; and the Institute for International Relations (IIR) - Vietnam.

Adventures in Russia

Above: John Mark Pommersheim, U.S. Consul General in Vladivostok, speaks at a ceremony commemorating the joint publication by the Far Eastern National University (FENU) in Vladivostok and APCSS. It was part of a conference on “Russia and America in the Pacific: Challenges and Opportunities” organized by Far Eastern Academy of Sciences and U.S. Consulate General in Vladivostok. Seated are Dr. Rouben Azizian and Boris Reznik, Vice-President of FENU. The book “Russia, America, and Security in the Asia-Pacific” was a joint project and is published in English and Russian.

Below: Dr. Rouben Azizian with the Vladivostok “troika” of Yuri Zhuravel (EC97-1), Tamara Troyakova (EC03-1) and Sergey Smirnov (EC03-1). Capt. Smirnov spent four months in a NATO Defense College in Rome as Research Fellow.

United Nations Security Council: Role of Non-Permanent Member

Helping Vietnam prepare to serve as a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council (2008-2009) was the focus of an Outreach event held in Hanoi, Dec. 11-14, 2007.

The seminar on “UN Security Council: The Role of Non-Permanent Member,” was conducted in partnership with the Vietnamese Ministry of Foreign Affairs’ Institute for International Relations (IIR), the main policy think tank and training arm of Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA).

The seminar offered an opportunity for the Vietnamese diplomats and other government officials to benefit from a U.S. expertise on the UNSC as well as key international and regional security trends and challenges. The participants expanded their knowledge of substantive and procedural matters related to the UNSC’s work, role-played a UNSC case study, as well as discussed Vietnam’s responsibilities, challenges and opportunities of UNSC membership. They also developed recommendations for the Government of Vietnam on required preparatory steps and interagency coordination related to Vietnam’s new UNSC role.

High level support from both the U.S. Embassy and Vietnam MOFA was provided throughout the event. Amb. Michael Michalak and IIR Director Amb. Duong Van Quang opened the seminar. The final brief was presented to Deputy Director of Personnel and Training, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tran Bich Van; Chief of UNSC Office MOFA Nguyen Thi Van Anh; and U.S. Embassy Deputy Chief of Mission Jon Aloisi.

The APCSS team was led by retired U.S. Amb. Charles Salmon, included APCSS Professors Rouben Azizian, Alfred Oehlerls and Thomas Peterman, logistics coordinator Lynne Yamashita, and was supported by retired Amb. Peter Burke, who had direct experience in the UNSC while he was Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States at the United Nations.

The Vietnamese side was led by Dr. Ngo Duy Ngo, IIR Deputy Director General and a recent APCSS graduate (ASC 07-2), and included 40 representatives of MOFA, Defense, Public Security, National Assembly, President’s and Prime Minister’s offices. Senior diplomats of the U.S. Embassy, as well as several APCSS alumni, were also in attendance.

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Alumni Office News

Announcing the APCSS Alumni Association Reunion Workshop in Hawaii!

Designated representatives from all countries with an APCSS Alumni Association will be invited back to Hawaii to participate in a reunion workshop where we will discuss how to take advantage of alumni association benefits and expand our security cooperation networks and activities. Thus far, there are 26 alumni associations. If your country has yet to start an association and you would like to form one, please contact John Gasner at gasnerj@apcss.org Stay tuned to the APCSS newsletter for more details on the upcoming workshop.

In November 2007, Cherie Joaquim (EC02-3 Philippines) attended the Inter-Sessional Meeting of the Xiangshan Forum on “Confidence Building in Security Affairs” in Lsbyang, Henan Province in China. At the forum she met up with two APCSS alumni Prof. Andrew Scobell (EC03-1/U.S) of The Bush School of Government and Public Service, and Pazzy-ul-Rahman (EC00-1/Pakistan), Director for China Study Centre of Pakistan’s Institute of Strategic Studies. “We happily exchanged notes on our days at the APCSS, China’s rise and other things in between.”

In memoriam

Lt. Gen. Nararat Irangkura (Thailand), SEC07-1, passed away July 10, 2007 at Promptor Hospital. If you wish to send your condolences, please do so via his daughter’s email address: narasai@hotmail.com

Major John Jackson (United States), JE07-1, died November 10, 2007, in a vehicle accident.


Moeen U. Ahmed, SEC04-2, was promoted to General and appointed Chief of the Army.

Alumni Promotions

Australia
Ambassador David Binnings, EC01-1, is now the Consul General for Australia in Hawaii.

Air Vice Marshal John Blackburn, SE03-1, became Deputy Chief of the Air Force.

Bangladesh
Masud Uddin Chowdhury, EC02-2, was promoted to Lieutenant General and posted as Principal Staff Officer, Armed Forces Division, Dhaka Cantonment.

M. Sajjad Alam, EC04-3, was promoted to Captain and appointed Commanding Officer BNS ISSA KHAN.

Bangladesh
Mohammad Moinuddin, EC06-2, was promoted to Colonel and appointed Deputy Commandant and Chief Instructor, Armed Forces Medical Institute.

Cameroon
Chaharane Mogne, EC03-3, has been appointed as the Director of the Army and Gendarmerie National Academy.

El Salvador
Camilo Benitez, CS04-2, was promoted to Colonel.

Cambodia
Sopaphan Vann, EC07-1, was promoted to Colonel and appointed Chief of Internal Affairs Office of the Cabinet of High Command Headquarters of the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces.

Comoros
Chakharane Mogne, EC03-3, has been appointed as the Director of the Army and Gendarmerie National

India
Dalbir Singh, EC05-2, was promoted to Major General and assumed Command of an Infantry Division.

Japan
Yoshiya Muto, SEC06-3, was selected as Counselor, Office of Assistant Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat Government of Japan.

Madagascar
Razavea Rabiaimadry, Falls, EC05-1, was promoted to Colonel.

Malaysia
Mat Vasir bin Mat Daud, EC97-2, was promoted to Major General and assigned as Head of National Gendarmerie.

Correction to photo caption from last issue: Last April, APCSS welcomed a group of 66 from the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (CDSS) at the Australian Defence College. A number of APCSS alumni were part of the group. They included: Capt. Pongsak Somboon, EC01-1, Thailand; Lt.Col. Siamelle Latau, EC01-1, Tonga; Col. Modjo Basuki, CS05-1, Indonesia; Lt. Col. Gilbert Toropo, EC03-3, Papua New Guinea; and Col. Roshaimi bin Zakaria, EC09-3, Malaysia.
Alumni Promotions

Mission, International Monitoring Team in Mindanao, Philippines.

Marshall Islands
Helmar Leijena, EC05-2, was promoted to Deputy Director for RMI Immigration.

Tarry Paul, EC06-1, was promoted to Director of RMI Immigration.

Casten Nemra, EC06-3, was promoted to Chief Secretary, and is Principal Advisor to the President and the Cabinet.

Micronesia
Aurelio Joab, EC03-3, was appointed to the Pohnpei State Legislature as a State Senator.

Mongolia
Damdin Gansukh, EC99-2, was promoted to 1st Secretary.

Dashmats Batsaikhan, EC05-1, is also a Counselor to Turkey.

Pakistan
Massod Aslam, EC98-2, was promoted to Lieutenant General and Commander 11 Corps.

Nepal
Gaurav SJB Rana, EC99-1, was promoted to Major General and is commanding the Western Division located in Pokhara.

Avirmed Battur, SEC05-1, was nominated as Ambassador to Vietnam.

Munkh-ochir Dorjzguder, EC05-2, was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and is the Executive Director of the Alumni Association.

Mugyeni Khorolsuren, EC01-3, was promoted to Colonel.

Nemra Casten, EC05-2, was promoted to Major General and is the Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces.

Pakistan
Azam Jamal, EC01-3, was promoted to Brigadier and assumed Command of a Divisional Artillery Brigade.

Suresh Chandra Chalise, EC01-1 and SEC06-3, was nominated as Ambassador to the United States.

Bijaya Kumar Shahi, EC05-3, was promoted to Brigadier General of Nepalese Army and posted to Eastern Division HQ as Chief of Staff.

Prakash Kumar Sinhara, EC06-1, was promoted to Deputy Inspector General of Police.

Damdinjav Badamgarav, CSRT06-1, was promoted to Colonel.

Col. Gansuk Sesrendorj, CSRT06-2, is Chief Operations Border Force HQ.

Lt.Col Badarch Altankhun, EC06-3, is Chief, Foreign Relations Division.

Col. Sambhu Ogonpurev, EC03-3, was promoted to Director Airport Customs.

Ambassador Sukh-Ochir Bold, EC04-1, is now Counselor to Turkey.

Mr. D. Gansukh, EC99-2, was nominated as Ambassador to the Republic of Korea.

Pakistan
Nasir Hussain, EC06-1 was promoted to Captain and appointed to Naval Headquarters as Director, Naval Aviation.

Pakistan
Ahmad Pervaiz Kayani, EC97-2, was appointed as Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee

Aslam Masood, EC02-2, was appointed Chief of Staff of the Secretariat.

Russia
Vladimir Vinokurov, EC03-2, has been appointed Consul General in San Francisco, California.

Singapore
Kwok Boon Hwee, SEC00-1, was appointed Chief Operations Officer for Singapore Power.

Singapore
Col. David Kiu, CSRT06-2, has been appointed Assistant Director for the Joint Counter-Terrorism Centre (JCTC) within the Prime Minister’s Office.

Sri Lanka
Mohamed Zahir Abdul Samad, EC04-3, was promoted to Major General and is serving as Commander Forward Maintenance Area (North).

Hafeez Maroo, CSRT06-1, was promoted to Superintendent of Police.

Sri Lanka
Nishan Samaraweera, EC05-1, was promoted to Major General.

Laksiri Amarnath Dias, EC05-2, was promoted to Major General.

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Mohamed Zahir Abdul Samad, EC04-3, was promoted to Major General and is serving as Commander Forward Maintenance Area (North).

Prabash Rajitha De Silva, EC05-2, was promoted to Major General.

Jayanath Colombage, EC06-3, was promoted to Rear Admiral. He presented a paper entitled “Countering Insurgent Maritime Threats” to a seminar in Colombo, Sri Lanka.

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Alumni Retirements

Australia

Air Vice Marshal Kerry Clarke, SEC02-2, retired as the Head of Capabilities Systems Division.

Rear Admiral Roger Girouard, SEC06-1, retired at the end of July 2007.

Rear Admiral Jaime Fraser, SEC01-1, has retired.

Australian Ambassador Cameron Hume, SEC05-1, was appointed Ambassador to Indonesia.

Van T. Thai, JEC05-3, was promoted to Major and is the 18 OSS Current Operations Flight Commander.

Steven Hernandez, JEC06-1, was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel.

Newman Yang, JEC06-1, is now retired in Victoria.

India

Air Chief Marshal Shashindra Tyagi, EC96-1, retired as Chief of Air Staff of the Indian Air Force. He’s on a lecture tour to Harvard, Brookings at DC, ISSS at London, and in Australia and India.

Col. Jayant Pendse, EC 03-1, retired from the Indian Army and settled in his native Pune. He was selected as Director Administration of an upcoming International School.

Col. Kuek Joo Leng, EC97-3, retired from the Singapore Armed Forces and is working with NEC (Nippon Electric Company, Solutions Asia Pacific, Singapore) as a Project Director.

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Papua New Guinea

Vice Admiral Jean Yves Forcier, SEC04-1, retired as Inaugural Commodore Vengalal Venugopal, EC 96-2, retired from the Indian Navy and is managing a Fisheries company at Muscat.

United States

Col. Terry DeRouchey, EC97-1, retired from the U.S. Army. He and his family are settling in Hot Springs, South Dakota.

Col. John Nordwell, EC01-3, retired from the military; he will remain in San Antonio, TX.

Col. Jeff Paull, EC03-2, retired and is moving to Georgia. He is starting an aviation business, training Indian pilots for a career with the airlines.

Col. Thomas Green, EC03-2, retired from the Air Force and is living in California.

Brunei

Nur Maszawani Abdullah Andok, EC99-3, is Assistant Defence Attaché Brunei Darussalam in Beijing.

Cambodia

Col. Ken Sosaveoun, CSR04-2, is a United Nations Mission to Cambodia (UNMKS) Joint Force and is now the PNG National Sales Manager for Oceanic Communications (PNG) Ltd, a subsidiary of Oceanic Holdings International from New Zealand.

Republic of Korea

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Capt. Les Fallow, EC01-3, is an exercise scheduler with U.S. Pacific Command in Hawaii.

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Comoros
Lt. Col. Salimou, EC04-1, is the Chief of Staff of the Comorian Armed Forces.

Fiji
Lt. Col. Jackson Evans, EC02-1, is in Iraq Commanding the 1st Fiji Infantry Battalion.

France
Frank Crispino, CS06-2, is Head of Criminal Investigation Department in Bordeaux.

India
Dr. Anup (Sundari) K. Pu- jari, EC00-3, is now Chief Vigilance Officer of Indian Railways Catering & Tourism Corporation.

Raghvendra Dubey, EC02-3, completed 11-month course on National Security and Strategic Studies at National Defence College, New Delhi and he has joined the Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance as Additional Adviser.

Commodore Sudhir Pil- jai, EC03-3, commanded a Kashin Class destroyer and then became Chief Staff Officer (Air) HQ Naval Aviation where he was promoted to Commodore and Commanding the 1st Fiji infantry Battalion.

In Bangladesh, Lt. Gen. Smith with alumni including Brig. Gen. Syed Mofazzal Mawla (EC01-3), Ahmed Ullah (EC05-3), Lt. CmDr. Rezaul Hasan (CS06-3), Air Commodore Syed Imtiaz Hussain (SEC06-1), and retired Col. Emadett Uddin Ahmed (EC00-3).

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Peter Noble, EC08-2 is in Riyadh as the Deputy Head of Mission.

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United States
Col. Randy Raymonds, EC03-1 and CSR05-1, is Chief of the Aerial-Clinical Engineering Service at the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine.

Col. Michael Keogh, EC05-3, is now assigned to U.S. Special Operations Command at MacDill ABF in Florida.

Cur. S. Stahl, EC06-1, is taking up duties at the U.S. Embassy in Jakarta as Counselor and Chief of Information Section.

Lt. Cmdr. Jamie Bond, EC06-1 and CS06-2, has left the Army and APSecs for a new life in Texas as a lawyer.

Steven Folena, JEC06-1, retired from the U.S. Air Force and has accepted a position as a senior analyst with CENTRA Technology in Virginia, Arizona.

Capt. Matt Cutts, CSRT 06-03, transferred to Coast Guard Pacific Area, Alameda, CA, where he will be Chief of Resources and Performance Management. He was also selected to attend the Naval Postgraduate School for a Homeland De- fense and Security Master’s Degree program.

Amb. Gene Christy, SEC07-1, has assumed duties as Foreign Policy Adviser to the Commander, U.S. Pacific Command.

Capt. Eric Wichmann, JEC07-1, is transferring to the Arizona Air National Guard.

Mongolia
Col. A. Tuuvshintug, EC99-2, is Deputy Director of Institute for Strategic Studies and President of Mongolia APCSS Alumni Association.

Chintab Emgeni, EC02-2, is Director to General of Mongolia Customs.

Col. Davaadorj Rendooy MD, EC04-1, is Chief of the Medical Department of the General Staff HQ of Mongolian Armed Forces.

Gardi Hosbayar, EC05-2, is now a business man with Amerigo Co. Ltd.

Barkhas Dorji, EC06-1, has been appointed Counselor, Embassy of Mongolia to Warsaw, Poland.

Rowena Pangilinan, EC03-2, is at the Asian Center for Strategic Studies (SOAS), University of London.

Lt. Col. Leouel Santos, EC05-3, is taking command of an Infantry Battalion in Southern Philippines.

Republic of Korea
Rhee, Sook-tack, SEC02-2, is now an Ambassador and Visiting Professor of Diplomacy, Kyunghee University, Korea.

Lt. Col. Lee, Seong Ki, EC04-3, has a new assignment as a Missile Verification Officer at Korea Armed Forces Verification Agency.

Lt. Col. Woo, Jeong-hoon, EC05-2, is now Strategy Operations Officer at NIS.

Lt. Col. Young-kwan Ryu, EC05-2, is transferring to Chief, ACC PJ (Protocols or Plans and Coordination).

Singapore
Philip Sim, CSR05-1, transferred to the Ministry of Transport, where he will be dealing with air rights issues.

Maj. Dawn Chai, SSTR 06-1, has been posted to the J2 as Senior Project Officer.

Col. Michael Keogh, EC05-3, is now assigned to U.S. Special Operations Command at MacDill ABF in Florida.

Susan E. Stahl, EC06-1, is taking up duties at the U.S. Embassy in Jakarta as Counselor and Chief of Information Section.

Lt. Col. Ferozaldo Paul T. Menanga, EC04-3, has a new assignment at the University’s Centennial Research Project in line with CENTRA Technology in Arizona, Virginia.

Anthony Hutchinson, EC05-3, was transferred from Department of State Bureau of Intelligence and Research (INR) in Washington D.C. to Hong Kong as the Director of Public Affairs at the U.S. Consulate General.

Swarana Bothotla, SSR07-1, was appointed Commander of the 6th Armored Regiment.

Col. Michael Keogh, EC05-3, is now assigned to U.S. Special Operations Command at MacDill ABF in Florida.

Steven Folena, JEC06-1, retired from the U.S. Air Force and has accepted a position as a senior analyst with CENTRA Technology in Virginia, Arizona.

Capt. Matt Cutts, CSRT 06-03, transferred to Coast Guard Pacific Area, Alameda, CA, where he will be Chief of Resources and Performance Management. He was also selected to attend the Naval Postgraduate School for a Homeland De- fense and Security Master’s Degree program.

Amb. Gene Christy, SEC07-1, has assumed duties as Foreign Policy Adviser to the Commander, U.S. Pacific Command.

Capt. Eric Wichmann, JEC07-1, is transferring to the Arizona Air National Guard.

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Rudsewean Kataluxana (EC03-2) of Thailand visiting China.

Cambodia

India
Additional Secretary Anil K Upadhyay, SEC06-2, attended an Indo-US Agricultural Cooperation and Trade Mission in the Philippines. SEC06-2, attended a week-long seminar at the Center of Excellence for a United Nations Peacekeeping Mission. Henry Shrew, Micronesia, SEC03-5 met William Tuivaga, Cook Islands, SEC03-5, in Nadi, Fiji. They were together for an Exercise Disaster Management Workshop.

Pakistan
Tahir Hanf, EC 04-1 Director General National Assembly of Pakistan was selected to attend the Univ. of Birmingham (U.K.) on a Chevening fellowship on Democracy, the Rule of Law and Security. He and Brig. Gen. Mazeline, Malaysia, EC04-1, received MS degrees in Defence and Strategic Studies from Prime Minister Mr. Shaukat Aziz.

United States
Jim Rickard, EC01-0, earned a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College in June.

Cambodia
Lt. Col. Rayaasra Ralaialomady Fli R, EC 05-1, met Professor McCab from the U.S. Naval College who lectured on Maritime Security and Transnational Issues at the American Cultural Center.

Philippines
Charithie Joaquim, EC02-3, met several other APCSS alumni while attending the “UN Logistics Planners Course for Troop and Police Contributing Countries.” Other alumni were: Rear Adm. Harsha Ratnakamare Mayadunne, Sri Lanka, EC04-1, Col. Mohammad Zaki Ishak, Malaysia, EC05-2, and from the Philippines: Lt. Col. Sahibuddin, SEC06-2 and Cmdr. Joeryc Mendora, EC07-1 and Maj. Audie Mongao, CS06-1.

Vietnam
Ngo Thi Hoa, EC06-2, travelled to Cambodia. She met other alumni, Col. Chea Vanna, Lt. Col. Chei and Mr. Sathir. “We informed each other of our life and jobs. We recalled memories in Hawaii and APCSS.”

Dr. Ta Tuan, EC06-3, participated in a Non-proliferation of Nuclear Energy workshop in Korea. He met with Lt. Col. You from the same course. “I was so moved. They introduced me to Korea’s historical places and culture. I really felt like I was with my family.”
Alumni Association updates

Guam

Congratulations are in order for Guam APCSS alumni who established their APCSS Alumni Association (see photo on back page).

Russia

Dr. Rouben Azizian, APCSS Professor, met with Russian alumni in Moscow. The Russian alumni formed an APCSS Russian alumni association. Dr. Vyacheslav Amirov was nominated as lead.

Thailand

Rudeowan Kateluxana, EC03-2, and the Thai alumni celebrated the first anniversary of Thailand APCSS Alumni Association, Gen. Kasemsak Plookswat, SE01-2, passed leadership to the new chairman: Prakit Prachonpachanuk, SE05-1, Secretary-General of National Security Council.

Six distinguished APCSS Alumni visited the Center in October as participants in the Chiefs of Mission conference. Flanked by Dean Lee Endress and Amb. Charles Salmon, alumni included: Amb. Gene Christy (SEC07-1), Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary (Public Diplomacy, Public Affairs, Regional Security) Glyn T. Davies (SEC06-3), Amb. Eric John (SEC05-1), Amb. Ravi Huso (SEC06-2), Amb. Cameron Hume (SEC05-1), and Deputy Assistant Secretary [Southeast Asia] — Scot Marciel (SEC06-1).

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Spotlight on the Philippines

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- Diplomacy: 12
- Police: 17
- Other: 31
- Total: 222

Alumni: 171

- Bangladesh
- Bhutan
- Cambodia
- Canada
- Chile
- Fiji
- Guam
- Indonesia
- Rep. of Korea
- Madagascar
- Malaysia
- Marshall Islands
- Micronesia
- Mongolia
- Nepal
- Pakistan
- Palau
- Papua New Guinea
- Peru
- Philippines
- Russia
- Thailand
- Vanuatu
- Vietnam
- United States (Hawaii & DC)

Pending Associations
- Brunei
- Cook Islands
- India
- Maldives
- Sri Lanka
- Tonga

* informal group
** Joint alumni association with the Africa Center
*** Joint alumni association with the Marshall Center

Brig. Gen. Hirai (right) met with Honorable Rey Carandang, Assistant Secretary American Affairs (left of Hirai) and his staff to discuss APCSS programs and the potential to partner with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on future outreach events.


According to Lt. Col. Gasner, “we were energized by the potential for expanded partnership with the National Defense College of the Philippines and also look forward to facilitating development of a Senior-level Leadership/Management course depending on final approval of the Philippine government and U.S. Embassy.”

It rained upon their arrival in the Philippines. Instead of being an ominous sign, it was perceived as a blessing because the Filipinos had been experiencing a drought and were grateful for the rain. They couldn’t take credit for the weather but they did achieve a lion’s share of their objectives. They met Under Secretary (USEC) for Defense Antonio C. Santos (SEC02-1), USEC for Civil, Veterans and Reserve Affairs Ernesto G. Carolina (SEC03-2), Under Sec. for Visitors Ediberto F. Adan (SEC05-2), retired Gen. Efren Abu (SEC03-1), Rodel Cruz (SEC06-1), Asst. Sec. for American Affairs Rey Carandang, and Ambassador.
Ethnic Diasporas and Great Power Strategies in Asia

According to the book, these communities, because they may claim a national homeland not currently the one in which they are domiciled, enjoy a status in the newer homeland distinct from other “indigenous” ethnic minorities. Varying in size, socio-economic standing, and also in the degree of surviving cultural identity and group cohesion, they differ enormously amongst themselves in terms of both the character and the importance of the roles they now occupy in their adopted homelands.

This book brings together a dozen outstanding regional specialists to assess the importance of overseas, migrant, or ‘diaspora’ ethnic minorities. Drawing in part on papers presented at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies in Honolulu, Hawaii, the book provides both fresh descriptive data on overseas ethnic minorities as well as penetrating analyses of how these three Asian giants seek to take advantage of the diaspora phenomenon in their regional and global foreign policies.

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According to Dr. Fouse, “The GSDF had to overcome a number of issues in their interactions with Iraqi citizens, including high expectations regarding Japan’s reconstruction efforts, poor communication, a lack of local intelligence and sometimes working around Japanese government-imposed restrictions to accomplish their mission.

“With the Japanese Defense Agency recently upgraded to the Ministry of Defense, the head of that ministry will now be an equal of the Minister of Foreign Affairs,” stated Fouse. “It will therefore be especially crucial to the success of future overseas operations that coordination between these two ministries be streamlined.”

Part Two is devoted to India and how its diaspora of 20 million spans the globe and these communities significantly impact the United States and Great Britain.

Part Three examines the role of the Chinese Diaspora, with as many as two million people in communities around the world. Chapters focus on their impact in Southeast Asia, specifically the Philippines, as well as their impact in Russia.

The final part looks at how the collapse of the Soviet Union results in an active Russian Diaspora throughout Central Asia.

According to Dr. Rouben Azizan, “the twelve chapters of the book represent, in sum, a fascinating, complex and mosaic picture of ethnic diasporas and diaspora policies of great powers. Unlike the traditional and usually small country diasporas of Ireland, Israel, Greece and others, the diasporas of China, India and Russia reflect a new phenomenon and their presence plays a role in the strategic calculations of three Asian great powers – India, China and Russia.”

A Japanese Coast Guard exercise in 2007. A JCG vessel shoots a warning shot against another JCG vessel playing the role of a suspected ship. Downloaded from www.kaiho.mlit.go.jp

Southeast Asian Receptiveness to Japanese Maritime Security Cooperation

APCSS Professor Yoichiro Sato published a new paper called “Southeast Asian Receptiveness to Japanese Maritime Security Cooperation.”

The paper provides an overview of Japan’s history of cooperation in navigational safety in the Malacca Strait; its effectiveness; the reactions of other countries to Japan’s efforts; and implications for U.S. policy.

“Japan’s primary focus on the Malacca Strait has resulted in close cooperation with the three littoral states (Singapore, Malaysia, and Indonesia), but Japan’s newer initiatives for multilateral cooperation encompass a broader set of countries in East Asia. Japan particularly sees Thailand as a potential partner for maritime security cooperation. At the same time, divergence in the area of navigation safety and seabed mapping through joint research, sharing of equipment, and training.”

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Long War vs. the Cold War

APCSS Professor Dr. Ehsan Ahrari was published in “Comparative Strategy” (Vol.26). His article “Why the Long War Can and Cannot be Compared to the Cold War” compares and contrasts the Cold War between the United States and Russia with the ongoing “Long War” with “jihadist” terrorist groups. How did the term “Long War” come about? Is it more dangerous than the “Cold War?”

This paper is available on the web at: http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/content~content=a783449319~db=al1~order=page
APCSS Alum Discusses Humanitarian Missions

Lance Cpl. Tyler J. Hlavac
Okinawa Marine

CAMP HANSEN, Okinawa—When deploying to a foreign country, cultural and language barriers can make accomplish ing the mission challenging. To better understand how to accomplish humanitarian missions overseas, military medical personnel from various units with III Marine Expeditionary Force attended a humanitarian medical missions brief Nov. 15 on Camp Hansen.

The class was conducted by Capt. Charles Craft (EC05-1), a dental officer with the U.S. Public Health Service Reserve Corps who has deployed to several Southeast Asia countries for humanitarian purposes.

Craft taught the medical personnel how to work successfully with their civilian and military foreign counterparts and covered several topics relevant to humanitarian missions, such as how to overcome cultural and language barriers when caring for patients.

“I teach this class because too often military doctors get thrown into situations overseas where they have no support or guidance on how to accomplish their mission,” said Craft. “Doctors need to understand how to successfully conduct a mission not just by their own standards, but from the local’s point of view.”

Craft explained humanitarian missions are designed to do more than just help a specific city or village and involves a lot more than just how many teeth a doctor pulls or how many patients they see in a day. He said military medical personnel need to establish a good working relationship with their host nation peers and need to have flexible mission goals.

“If doctors show up and only want to give eye exams, for example, when the locals really don’t need or want that, then the doctors have not really accomplished anything,” Craft said. “Doctors need to be prepared to provide a broad spectrum of care.”

Craft further explained that anything military doctors can do to help foreign doctors in the long term is another way to build long lasting relationships. “If you are able to do something for them, such as bringing technicians to repair any of their medical equipment, or simply teach them new medical techniques and procedures, military doctors have now made an impact that continues even after they depart the country,” he said.

While Craft teaches knowledge that any military medical personnel can use, the class had special significance for the III MEF doctors.

“Here at (III) MEF we focus on humanitarian missions,” said Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Robert Prostamo. “This class really reinforced a lot of things we already do. It taught us how to accomplish humanitarian missions more effectively through learning from Capt. Craft and his experiences. He really emphasized that in every mission we conduct, there is a lesson to be learned.”

ARF Defence Universities Meeting (from page 4)

context as well as the potential areas improvements may be made in the curriculum. Valuable insights into the ongoing efforts of ARF Defence Colleges were gained through the presentations made by delegations and the many conversations during the course of the meeting.

It was evident there was a growing awareness of the urgent need to refine military education to meet the challenges of the new security environment. Shifts from a purely national defense posture to one emphasizing a wider range of responsibilities and roles (such as peacekeeping and humanitarian disaster relief) were identified by delegations as an important factor, as were the emergence of non-traditional threats and non-traditional security concerns. Critically, the need for international dialogue and cooperation to effectively address the new security environment led many delegations to highlight the need for closer collaboration. And in order to work effectively in such multinational, interagency efforts, leaders and commanders will need a curriculum that reflects such values.

Valuable networks were developed in Canberra that will allow APCSS to follow up on these shared ideas. In doing so, APCSS will be fulfilling its key objectives of promoting regional cooperation to enhance security in the region.

The next ARF Defence Universities meeting will be Islamabad, Pakistan, in October 2008. The hosts, the National Defence University of Pakistan, have chosen a theme that focuses on the educational challenges posed by the expanding role of the military in operations other than war. This is a vital theme, and APCSS looks forward to being able to participate and contribute to discussions on this issue.
The newly chartered APCSS Alumni Association in Guam.

Spotlight on Guam

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- Police: 9
- Customs: 1
- Fellows who have returned for more: 4

Please don’t forget to contact the Outreach and Alumni Coordination Branch at AlumniDivision@apcss.org if you have been promoted, changed job positions, or moved.