Aloha! This particular edition of Currents magazine provides another useful update of goings-on at APCSS, as well as a look ahead at some new dimensions beginning to take shape.

We continue to be confident in our assessments of what’s needed to ensure APCSS is recognized as unique value added in all it does. These evaluations, most of which come from you, continue to guide our program evolutions. We also continue to be pleased with the quality of our program participants, both here at home and throughout the region. Our Alumni have really become active in helping get the right fellows into our programs and, through Alumni Associations, to continue to share valuable insights and lessons about security and security-cooperation challenges around the region and the world. Some Alumni have also participated in outreach events in national capitals, and contributed much, setting an example of informed, capable and mature professionalism. We never fail to be proud of our Alumni in action.

For almost a year, we have been examining how APCSS might better partner with various counterpart organizations throughout the region, and, to that end, we will host a workshop in November 2007 with a group of leaders of such organizations to compare learning models and approaches and identify profitable program interfaces to share. Further, we have been studying how two Hawaii-based institutions, the Center of Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance and the Pacific Disaster Center, can join with APCSS in producing and disseminating some new products interactively among linked constituency networks in the region. The initial focus will be a shared analysis of some trends related to preparedness for HA/DR response.

Such information, we believe, can also be incorporated into ongoing activities and research projects at all three Hawaii-based centers, as well as support U.S. and international organizations involved in assistance and relief efforts in this region and around the world. We think such an integrated and synchronized undertaking will further develop new knowledge and augment the application of key skills in an area of security concern we all recognize as expanding. (See story on page 4)

This initiative complements our educational evolution to help participants in all our programs to become more alert to new security-developments of common concern, but more importantly to practice related assessments, analyses and next-steps recommendations which respond to current and unforeseen threats to security, stability and peace in our region. We are making a concerted effort to link operators, policy formulators, decision-makers, public diplomacy interpreters and various affected publics, as they all are connected in this globalized world we share.

Our focus remains where it must: helping leaders help each other. APCSS is all about increasing understanding through new knowledge and shared insights and perspectives, improving collaborative skills via realistic scenarios that replicate the world we live in and anticipate ahead, and leveraging personal and professional networks to get critical, complex tasks done when supporting systems fall short.

At APCSS we help build the most important capacity in the world we share: leadership capacity.

We promise our best. Mahalo for your support of APCSS.
Sharing Information Before, During and After a Crisis

In previous issues of Currents we’ve told you about the Hawaii Model Study that was reviewing how several Hawaii-based organizations could better work together.

The study is complete and many good lessons have been learned about how we can improve our information sharing.

The Asia-Pacific Collaborative Security Consortium, a web portal to facilitate information sharing is now operational at http://apcss. apan-info.net/. The partners in this effort are our partners in the Hawaii Model - the Pacific Disaster Center and the Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (COE), as well as other regionally focused security practitioners here in Hawaii. We are keen to expand the circle of those interested beyond our home here.

PLA Academic Delegation visits the Center

In May, General Zheng Shenxia, the Chairman of the Society of Military Science and concurrently the President of the Academy of Military Science (AMS) led a delegation of nine PLA military strategists and academic researchers to the APCSS for orientation and an exchange of views with APCSS faculty and staff. The overall objective of the visit was to build confidence, encourage mutual transparency, and to exchange ideas on educational methodology and approaches to

This site focuses on broad security cooperation and multi-national, as well as interagency crisis response. It contains information and links related to training and preparedness as well as discussion forums that can be established to help share information prior to, during a crisis response, or in follow-up and recovery from a disaster. We are just beginning this work and are eager for any suggestions or assistance you may wish to provide.

Fellows attending the Stability Operations course at APCSS are learning how to use the site while in class and are encouraged to continue using it after they graduate.

APCSS is also looking at the possibility of establishing a team that will focus on trend analysis. Using expertise from APCSS, as well as the Pacific Disaster Center and possibly COE, the team will be looking for ways to help identify and track trends in diverse areas, which could lead to sudden and adverse shocks to regional security, such as shifting demographic profiles, environmental issues, and regional disaster response capacities before they erupt into regional “shocks.”

Staff Hails and Farewells...

Moving around is a fact of life for many in the military and civil service. There have been a lot of moves this year. Perhaps most visible to the Fellows would be the changes in the Admissions Department. Maj. John Lynch retired, returning to his wife’s home in Okinawa, Japan. Capt. Cami Johnson from Alumni was reassigned to McGuire AFB, New Jersey. Navy Chief Yeoman Lawrence Sivils assumed duties as NCOIC, Registrar, while Cpl. Justin Hartfield became the Registrar NCO. Jean Peterson, Registrar-Student Affairs, moved to California, and was replaced by Remelinda Carbonel who transferred from the Center’s Resource Management Section. In the College of Security Studies, the dean’s secretary, Colleen Dietrich, transferred to USARPAC and was replaced by Michele Wong. Steve Crowley relocated to Washington State and Rovella Beasley was promoted to Supervisor, Admin Support and was joined by Admin Assistant Patricia Burdett. Former Supervisor, Admin Assistant Christiine Paige retired and then returned to the Center as the Hawaii Model Assistant. In the Center Computer Lab, Melody Pickens took over after Gil Cummings moved on to Army Contracting. The Personnel Office also saw big changes with department head Bud Rashton retiring and being replaced by J.A. Jeffords-Mills, and the assignment of Robin Wong, after Roberta Garrett took a promotion to PA COM. Elsewhere, Ligaya Abille joined the accounting team and Navy Yeoman Second Class Christina Treppe came to work in Conferencing after tours in England and Baghdad. In the front offices, the deputy director’s secretary, Shirllyn Souza relocated to Cali-

Lt. Col. John Sauer and family celebrate his retirement after 21 years of service.

Admiral Keating Comes to Visit

Within a short time of assuming command as Commander, U.S. Pacific Command, Admiral Timothy Keating paid a visit to APCSS. He met with APCSS Faculty and Staff and also got to test some of the new technology that APCSS is bringing into the seminar rooms.

Staff and farewell...
APCSS FOUNDATION

The Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies Foundation held their annual meeting here in February. Twenty-two Foundation members received updates on the latest Center innovations and also had a chance to mingle with the Fellows of EC07-1.

According to Foundation President Mr. Jerry Sumida, “The Center is a unique and very important institution that is performing an invaluable role in nurturing strong lines of communication and opportunities for participants from throughout this region. It allows them to interact and explore in depth critical issues that today and tomorrow will shape mutual interests in Asia-Pacific. We are very pleased that the Center is located in Hawaii. Our Foundation, which includes business leaders in Hawaii, is enthusiastic in its support for the Center’s work.”

A non-profit organization, the APCSS Foundation was established August 2000 as a supporting organization for the Center. The Foundation provides critical supplemental funds and support to assist the Center in enhancing cooperation and building relationships through mutual understanding and study of comprehensive security issues among military and civilian representatives of the U.S. and other Asia-Pacific nations. Foundation members have also participated in selected Center programs, bringing business perspectives to discussions on regional and international security issues.

Jerry Sumida speaks with EC 07-1 Fellows Captain Syed Saadul Islam Khan of Bangladesh and Agha Jan Akhtar of Pakistan.

APCSS Staff Members Recognized by Federal Executive Board

Several APCSS staff members were honored by the Honolulu Federal Executive Board. They included the Conference Division for Team Excellence, Lt. Col. “Fred” Frederick for Federal Supervisor/Manager of the Year, Dottie Kaneshiro for Federal Employee of the Year - Clerical and Assistant; Jo Gardner for Federal Employee of the Year - Professional, Administrative, Technical; and Lenore Patton and Tom Patykula both for Leader, Mentor and Coach of the Year.

Thanks to all the volunteers that worked to ensure a successful event, with special recognition to: Lenore Patton, Sheri Ueyhara, Mike Fryer, Stephen Chang, and Karen Griffon.
New Faculty, New Expertise

APCSS welcomed several new faculty members. They include religious and cultural experts with unique experiences.

Dr. Ehsan Ahrari came to APCSS in January 2007 as Professor of Counterterrorism. His primary areas of expertise include Counterterrorism (Middle East, South Asia, and Central Asia), Nuclear and Missile Proliferation in Southern Asia (China, India, and Pakistan), Islam, Information Warfare, with special focus on China and the world of Islam, and Public Diplomacy, with special focus on Muslim countries. His other areas of expertise include Interagency Coordination, Wargaming, and writing scenarios for tabletop exercises. He has offered Senior Executive Seminars on Transnational Terrorist Financing, Public Diplomacy, Jihadist-Salafi Movements, with special focus on South Asia, Central Asia, and the Middle East.

Dr. Jim Rolfe is working with the East-West Center here in Honolulu. Two Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies faculty members were promoted from associate professor to full professor. Congratulations to Dr. Alexandre Manosouroff and Dr. Denny Roy.

Captain Bette Bush departs APCSS for a position as the first occupant of the Herb Feith Chair for the Study of Indonesia at Monash University in Australia. He continues his connection to APCSS as an adjunct professor.

Dr. Eric Shibuya is now an instructor at Washington/Transnational Issues at the Marine Corps War College in Quantico, Virginia. Dr. Jan Storey departed APCSS for a position at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies in Singapore.

Dr. Jeff Mandell came to APCSS in March 2007. He was previously an Associate Professor and Chair of the Economics Discipline at Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand.

Dr. Oehlers obtained his Ph.D in Political Economy from the University of Sydney. He also holds a Masters and Bachelors degree in Economics, both from Macquarie University, Australia. He is a specialist in the political economy of economic growth and development, with particular reference to the countries of the Asia-Pacific region. He has written widely, covering a range of issues connected with the rapid development of East and Southeast Asia. Much of this research has focused on Burma and Singapore, on topics relating to governance, democratization, corruption, public health, and ethnic conflict.

Our newest professor is Dr. Taj Hashmi. He worked as professor of Islamic and Asian history, politics and culture at various universities in Australia, Bangladesh, Singapore and Canada. Born in India, raised and educated in Pakistan, Bangladesh and Australia, he has extensive experience in the Asia-Pacific and North America. Dr. Hashmi received his Ph.D. in modern South Asian history from the University of Western Australia. He also has a Masters in modern history of the Middle East, South and Southeast Asia from Dhaka University. His areas of expertise include: Islamic resurgence and militancy, ethnicity, Asia-Pacific regionalism and security; military, Islam, democracy and civil society, South Asia; and culture, governance and underdevelopment.

In addition to the Executive Course Fellows, 41 international Fellows from the U.S. Army War College who were visiting the Center also attended his briefing.

Eikenberry’s new post is as the deputy chairman, North Atlantic Treaty Organization Military Committee, Brussels, Belgium.
The most recent Executive Course: Advanced Security Cooperation took place in early 2007 with 47 Fellows from 30 different countries in the region. The six-week course focuses on building relationships among future leaders and decision-makers within the region. It comprises three required elements: a core curriculum, an advanced studies program of electives, and a professional enhancement program that includes skills workshops and guest speakers. Security is examined as a comprehensive mix of political, economic, social, as well as military aspects.

According to Dr. Rouben Azizian, course manager, this was a very energetic and cohesive group when it came to participation in the auditorium and seminars. Over the last year the course has been transitioning from its original broad and instructive overview of the region to a more focused, interactive and participatory course. “We continue shaping and revising the course,” said Azizian.

The interaction did not stop in the seminar rooms as Fellows participated in APCSS lunchtime learning sessions called “Brown Bags.” “The Brown Bag sessions are really starting to produce some very good discussions. The class was very interested in these, and several Fellows gave excellent presentations on security issues in the region,” said Azizian.

The next Advanced Security Cooperation course will be held in October. “We hope to complete in that iteration the transformation from a survey type course to a more focused, problemsolving-oriented course,” said Azizian.

The traditional EC was a very wide ranging, comprehensive course providing a good overview of the security environment. But now we have more pressing issues. We have an urgent need for more collaboration like never before. We need to better focus on negative regional trends before they lead to major problems and shocks in the region. It is important at the same time to capitalize on the positive trends. We have to try to get the course to the point of how we can best collectively deal with issues and problems by building national and regional capacity and resilience. After all, the new name of the course - Advanced Security Cooperation - has to reflect its true meaning and essence,” he said.

“In a globalized world, national borders do not guarantee full protection. We have to follow regional trends more carefully because they can impact our own national security in more significant ways than before. This means that curriculum change will be ongoing as the course will continue to adapt to the dynamic regional security environment.”

**EC at-a-glance**

Since 1996
- 31 Classes
- 2,024 Fellows from 46 Countries
Transnational Security Cooperation
Senior Executive Course

The Senior Executive course continues to evolve, aided and enriched by the feedback of each class. The latest courses have introduced more current assessment and response scenarios, a case study on creating a dissuasion campaign, and an extended discussion on creating the conditions for viable peace in crisis torn societies. Fellows have been given the opportunity to hone their skills in handling media interventions as well. Fellow feedback has validated the continuing improvement of the course in terms of knowledge gained, senior leader skills improved, and networks enriched.

SEC at-a-glance
Since 1999
- 17 Classes
- 334 Fellows from 32 Countries
In less than one year, APCSS has held three classes of the new Stability, Security, Transition, and Reconstruction course which aims to enhance regional capability to prevent, prepare for and respond to both human and man-made disasters. After completing the first class last summer, APCSS followed up with two additional classes. We continue to adapt the course, improving the content and flow based on attendee comments and regional demand.

In May, 32 Fellows graduated from SSTR 07-1. The Fellows included senior military and civilian government leaders from 18 countries. Countries represented at the course were: Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, Brunei, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand, United States and Vietnam. The highlight of this particular course was the high level of operational experience in disaster response that the Fellows had—over 1/3 of them had personally been involved in more than one such activity! This course also saw the beginning of an APCSS-sponsored web-site for sharing information among Fellows on stability focused activities through the use of the “Asia Pacific Cooperative Security Consortium,” or APCSC. This represents a step ahead in APCSS’s on-going efforts to provide a useful educational experience that does not end on graduation day.

Last December, 30 senior Fellows from 15 countries throughout the Asia-Pacific region attended the course. Countries represented at the course were: Bangladesh, Brunei, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and the United States.

The course takes a comprehensive approach to disaster preparedness and response activities focusing on three broad topic areas: 1) pre-conflict/complex emergency preparedness and prevention (2) post-conflict/complex emergency responses and transitions and (3) post-conflict/complex emergency reconstruction. It also addresses basic definitions and types of stability operations, coalition building and inter-agency coordination, interventions and occupations, post-conflict/complex emergency reconstruction steps, transition planning, and strategic communications, among other supporting topics. The course is designed to impart vital knowledge, share best practices from the attendees’ experiences as well as to develop leaders’ skills and frameworks in order to improve the effectiveness of regional nations and individual leaders in preparing for and responding to disasters.

SSTR at-a-glance
Since 006
• 3 Classes
• 88 Fellows from 22 Countries
For several years, APCSS has offered a three-week Junior Executive Course that focused on knowledge of the region and understanding how current issues were shaping the Asia-Pacific security environment. To meet the needs of U.S. Pacific Command headquarters, APCSS offered a three-day Asia-Pacific Orientation Course (APOC) last fall and again in March.

Like the JEC, the APOC provided an introduction to Asia-Pacific culture, politics, and challenges, while addressing U.S. interests in the region. The curriculum broadly examined: security foundations, regional security perspectives, country-specific and transnational issues, governance, development, and security cooperation issues. Attention was given to historical and emerging issues.

The next course, to be offered in July, will reflect the new merger of the Junior Executive Course/Asian Pacific Security Foundations (JEC/APSF) course with the Asia-Pacific Orientation Course.

According to course manager, Dr. Elizabeth Van Wie Davis, “APOC brings together all of the best features of the JEC and the earlier APOC to create a course that offers a comprehensive survey of many of the security issues in the current Asia-Pacific region.”

This new course will have a one-week format and have two versions: one with a U.S. format exclusively for PACOM officers and an international version for select self-funded countries plus the U.S. Fellows.

The Comprehensive Security Responses to Terrorism (CSRT) course helps Fellows develop a common understanding of terrorism and transnational threats that support terrorism in the region, build the trust necessary for productive partnerships, and examine ways to improve information sharing and multinational strategies to counter terrorist threats. CSRT Course 06-3, held in Fall 2006, was attended by 30 Fellows from 20 countries.

CSRT at-a-glance
Since 2004
- 7 Classes
- 336 Fellows from 51 Countries
**Director visits Indonesia, Australia and New Zealand**

APCSS Director, retired Army Lt. Gen. Ed Smith, recently completed a trip to Indonesia, Australia and New Zealand. APCSS sought to achieve the following objectives: 1. Learn the perspectives of host-nation and U.S. embassy officials regarding major security issues to improve our residence and outreach offerings. 2. Connect with alumni to get their feedback and to gauge the success of our programs. 3. Find ways to include representatives of Non-Governmental Organizations, business leaders, and international media organizations in APCSS in-resident and outreach programs. APCSS is now authorized to invite these representatives to courses as self-funded Fellows.

In Indonesia, Smith identified a potential partner for an APCSS Outreach event in the form of support from the Jakarta Center for Law Enforcement Cooperation. The possible outreach workshop could address Humanitarian Assistance/Disaster Relief management systems. He also inaugurated the Indonesia APCSS Alumni Association (IAAA). The U.S. Embassy’s Deputy Chief of Mission, John Heffern and Defense Attaché, Col. Kevin Richards participated in the ceremony. Taking the lead among the more than 40 alumni who attended the ceremony was Air Marshal (Ret.) Koesnoardi Kardi. He is serving as the first Chairman of the Association.

In Australia, Smith spoke with members of the Kodak Foundation at an event hosted by the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies; he also addressed the class in session. The Director met with APCSS alumni at the home of the U.S. Embassy’s Army Attaché, Col. Joe Judge, who is also an APCSS alumnus.

In New Zealand, he followed-up on possible outreach opportunities specifically addressing the Oceania sub-region. In fact, APCSS is now working with the Office of the New Zealand Foreign Secretary to identify suitable topics related to priority security cooperation issues among Pacific Island nations. Smith also met with a number of alumni and key government representatives, including the Chief of Defence Force, Lt. Gen. Jerry Mateparae and the Deputy Foreign Secretary, Ms. Dell Higgie.

 APCSS Director Visits Korea/Mongolia: Attends Multilateral Planning Conference

During April 22 to May 2, APCSS Director, Lt. Gen. Ed Smith traveled to the Republic of Korea and Mongolia. In Korea, the Director met with key government and non-government officials to listen to their recommendations for improving courses in Hawaii and for suggestions on topical issues for a potential outreach event in Korea next year. The Director had the honor of inaugurating the Korean APCSS Alumni Association.

While in Korea, the Director also attended the U.S./ROK Worldwide Multilateral Planners Conf in Seoul, a forum in which representatives from about 65 nations gathered to discuss shared security challenges—this year, countering terrorism. In Mongolia, the Director met with key officials from the Office of the National Security Council, Ministry of Defense, National Defense University, National Emergency Management Agency, Institute for Strategic Studies, Border Protection and Police Agencies, organizations with leadership positions staffed by many APCSS alumni. During his visit, more than 30 alumni met with the Director for roundtable security discussions and reception. Key officials also offered ideas for enhancing APCSS courses and expressed great interest in future outreach events in Mongolia.

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**Meeting with new partners and alumni in Southeast Asia**

In March 2007, Lt. Gen. Ed Smith journeyed to Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok and Hanoi for follow-up meetings with host-nation leaders to continue broadening opportunities for outreach partnering efforts with APCSS.

Office calls in Malaysia included meetings with Mr. David Shear, the U.S. Deputy Chief of Mission; Dato’ Seri Mohamed Jawher Hussan, the Chairman and CEO of the Institute of Security and International Studies; Dato’ Mohd Hamif bin Othman, Commandant of the Malaysian Armed Forces Staff College where Smith gave a presentation on Leadership Development to the class in session. Mr. Ahmad Faud bin Abd Aziz, Director General National Security Division; and several others.

Taking advantage of the opportunity to meet with nearly 30 Malaysian APCSS alumni, Smith journeyed to Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok and Hanoi for productive meetings with Mr. Jonathan Alosi, DCM, and Col. Mark Chakwin, Defense Attaché at the U.S. Embassy and with several Vietnamese government representatives including Ambassador Pham Sanh Chau, Deputy Director General, Institute for International Relations and Maj. Gen. Pham Thanh Lan, Director, External Relations Department. Key feedback from Vietnamese officials during these meetings emphasized concern about the way-ahead, should Vietnam become a non-permanent member of the U.N. Security Council. In close coordination with the U.S. embassy and the Vietnamese government, APCSS is developing a potential outreach event that could clarify the issues involved in “Preparation for Service on the U.N. Security Council.”

Ending this successful trip on a celebratory note, the Director was honored to join the Vietnamese APCSS alumni in establishing their Alumni Association. Ambassador Pham Sanh Chau enthusiastically took the first leadership role in the Association.

The final leg of the Director’s trip brought him to Hanoi for very productive meetings with Mr. Jonathan Alosi, DCM, and Col. Mark Chakwin, Defense Attaché at the U.S. Embassy and with several Vietnamese government representatives including Ambassador Pham Sanh Chau, Deputy Director General, Institute for International Relations and Maj. Gen. Pham Thanh Lan, Director, External Relations Department. Key feedback from Vietnamese officials during these meetings emphasized concern about the way-ahead, should Vietnam become a non-permanent member of the U.N. Security Council.
Developing coordinated policies on energy and the environment is a key issue in the Asia-Pacific Region according to U.S. Ambassador to Japan, J. Thomas Schieffer. The ambassador, speaking to attendees of an April 2007 conference on “Energy Security Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific,” also stated that energy—its security, stability and deliverability—drives much of our respective foreign policies, thus making it vital for countries to explore new cooperative solutions.

Co-hosted by the Japan Institute of International Affairs in Tokyo and the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, the April multi-national forum focused on improving regional understanding and cooperation on Asia-Pacific energy issues. It provided a venue for robust and candid discussion of various national perspectives and policy options among senior security practitioners and energy experts from Australia, China, Japan, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Panama, the Republic of Korea, Russia, and the United States.

According to APCSS Professor Mohan Malik, “Recognizing that the challenge of assuaging energy insecurities can be met only through greater communication and joint cooperation among Asia-Pacific nations, this conference was conducted in a series of focused and facilitated discussions.”

In addition, Dr. Malik said that conference attendees concluded that a three-pronged approach to energy policy for supply security, energy substitution, and conservation is needed to promote energy security worldwide. “It raised awareness and enhanced confidence among participants to develop modes of cooperation and networks that can be tapped for future action to resolve energy security issues.”

Objectives of the conference included developing a framework for characterizing dimensions of Asia-Pacific energy security; identifying areas for coordinated institutional and policy action; and formulating fresh, regional approaches to energy management; and sustained cooperative action.

Some of the findings included:
- Regional economic growth will continue with strong dependence on energy consumption. Consequently, lowering energy intensity and enhancing conservation will remain the most viable approach to rationalizing energy consumption and avoiding potential energy resource conflict.
- General appreciation for the importance and urgency of developing alternative energy sources and addressing CO2 generated climate change with the realistic expectation of dependency on hydrocarbon fuels in the near future. Nuclear energy seen as most promising alternative, requiring regional collaboration.
- Oil and coal will remain the dominating consumption resource driven by India and China’s energy needs. Gas consumption preferred but hampered by the high cost of coal conversion to gas and transportation challenges. Encourage and assist India and China in building adequate strategic reserves.
- Maritime transportation of energy will dominate in the region despite growth in pipeline networks. Thus, continued reliance on U.S. for security of sea lanes and strategic straits.
- Japan’s energy strategy, based on conservation, advanced and safe technologies, recognized as possible model for developing energy sectors in countries in the region. Particularly, China is interested in receiving Japanese energy technology.

The conference concluded with attendees agreeing that the future actions should include the following:
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- Engage China to dispel suspicions about U.S. energy ambitions and use energy dialogue with China as a Confidence Building Measure.
- Use APCSS as a catalyst for follow-on activities with regional partners and organizations for the purpose of enhancing regional energy cooperation and confidence building. For a copy of the conference report go to www.apcss.org

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Managing Porous Borders in Southeast Asia

How to manage porous borders in Southeast Asia was the subject of a conference recently co-hosted by the Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace (CICP) and Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies (APCSS) held Feb. 27 to Mar. 2 in Phnom Penh, Kingdom of Cambodia.

Participants focused on porous borders and the associated transnational threats, and intra-governmental, regional and international cooperation required to manage these threats. They shared information and understanding of various national perspectives on border control challenges and formulated common strategies for managing them.

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Representatives from 10 nations attended the conference on porous borders held in the Kingdom of Cambodia in March.
The continuing security and prosperity of the Asia-Pacific region is largely contingent on enhanced cooperation among the region’s three dominant powers: China, Japan, and the United States.

Yet the confluence of the end of the Cold War, perceptions of increased US unilateralism, the rise of China, and a “normalizing” Japan has upended what had traditionally been a reasonably stable regional system—and left in its stead a situation that remains highly fluid, unstable, and vulnerable to pressure for confrontation and possibly conflict.

Because of the institutional weakness of the region combined with the close operating proximity of militaries in the region, numerous analysts have pointed to an urgent need for increased confidence- and security-building measures (CSBMs) in the region.

To that end, the Stanley Foundation, in collaboration with the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, has launched a new project on “Trilateral Confidence- and Security-Building Measures.”

Other collaborators on the project include the Shanghai Institute for International Studies in cooperation with the Institute for Strategic Studies for China, the Oka-zaki Institute of Japan, and the National Institute for Defense Studies.

Following the planning meeting held on Honolulu earlier this month, the project will support the creation of three study groups—one in each the United States, Japan, and China—to meet on a regular basis over a 10-12 month period to develop a “menu” of CSBMs.

The project will seek to achieve four key objectives:

- To assess the current state of debate in the United States, Japan, and China about the role and utility of CSBMs, as well as regarding the particular application of specific CSBMs.
- To develop transparent dialogue between US, Japanese, and Chinese analysts and policymakers (both civilian and military) on the role and utility of (certain/specific) CSBMs and assess the implications of these possible alternate CSBMs on trilateral relationship.
- To develop concrete consensus recommendations for CSBMs that can be implemented bilaterally and trilaterally and serve as stabilizing factors in managing the trilateral relationship.
- To improve strategic communication and security cooperation between the United States, Japan, and China through a frank and open exchange of ideas that fosters receptivity and, critically, reciprocity.

EXERCISE GLOBAL TEMPEST

The National Defense University’s Strategic Policy Forum conducted its first state exercise at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies on Dec. 9, 2006. Senior State and Federal officials, including Governor Linda Lingle, members of the Hawaii state legislative and executive branches, and local planners participated in a pilot exercise for a new program that would demonstrate the benefits of Congressional gaming outside Washington and to the states.

SPF’s crisis simulation exercises are designed to provide senior government officials insights into the complexity of policymaking in the current global security environment. They seek to improve dialogue between the executive and legislative branches of the Federal government on critical national security issues. While many other simulation exercises rely on former decision-makers to fill seats, SPF exercises are distinctive in that participants are all current officials and incumbent Members of Congress. With the Hawaii iteration of Global Tempest, SPF hopes to launch a new program that would connect this successful Federal executive and legislative branch dialogue to their state-level counterparts on issues of pressing regional and local concern.

National Defense University President Lt. Gen. Frances C. Wilson and APCSS Director Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Ed Smith welcomed participants to the exercise. The Honorable Ryan Henry, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and Hawaii Governor, Linda Lingle, then opened Global Tempest, noting the importance of dialogue among Federal, state, and local officials in fostering an environment of cooperation in which to address the complex security threats confronting our nation.

Representatives from the Federal departments of Health and Human Services, Agriculture, State, and Homeland Security, including the U.S. Coast Guard, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the U.S. Pacific Command attended. The state and local perspective was provided by the governor of Hawaii, Honolulu Mayor Mufi Hanneman, Rep. Calvin Say, Speaker of the Hawaii House of Representatives and numerous Hawaii officials, including the Adjutant General, Major General Robert Lee.

Exercise Global Tempest provided a forum for information exchange and collaborative decision-making between Federal and state and legislative and executive branch policy makers in the context of a notional major national public health crisis. The exercise examined responses to the emergence of a potential pandemic flu strain overseas, the presentation of the first cases in the United States and its eventual development into a full blown pandemic worldwide and within America. Discussion during the exercise considered issues such as national and Hawaii pandemic preparedness, communications, surveillance, and detection activities, as well as its response and containment capabilities.

According to Maj. Gen. Lee, the exercise was a valuable experience. “For the first time we had a chance to synchronize at the national and local levels. It’s important for the national level leaders to understand the concerns of the states. Every place is different. The people are different. This is...continued on page 41
Alumni Association Gets Local

In February, about a dozen Hawaii-based alumni met to discuss the formation of a local Alumni Association Chapter. Led by Col. John Cinco (EC05-2) and Ms. Anne Sylvester (CS04-1), the group agreed on several objectives:

1. Build personal and professional networks between Hawaii-based alumni.

2. Take advantage of opportunities to connect with APCSS Fellows and alumni from other nations by sponsoring a Fellow or visiting alumnus upon arrival to Hawaii and interacting with Fellows during course social events. This Sponsorship program could give the Fellows an opportunity to see more of Hawaii and experience the Hawaiian/American culture and it could serve as the foundation for a strong network of friendships.

3. To the extent possible, assist in charitable works here and in the region. Given the slew of recent natural disasters in the region, there may be opportunities for APCSS alumni to volunteer to assist in humanitarian relief efforts, such as donations of food, blankets and...
Monirul Islam, EC05-1, was promoted to Joint Secretary/Minister. He will continue to serve in the Bangladesh Embassy in Beijing as Minister.

Shah Mohammad Ziaur Rahman, EC03-2, was promoted to Air Vice Marshal and assumed command as the Bangladesh Chief of Air Staff.


Sarwar Nizam, SEC02-2, was promoted to Rear Admiral and appointed Chief of Navy, Bangladesh.

M. Mohsen Uddin, EC06-2, stated “Good governance is not only important for a country – it is also very much essential for international security as well. No country can now afford to remain aloof without cooperation and partnership with others on different security issues – from controlling Avian Influenza to combating Global Terrorism. The bond in APCS is a strong motivating force to work together in National and International environment.”

Col. Z. R. M. Asfra Uddin, EC04-2 joined the Center for Strategic and Peace Studies (a non-government think-tank) in Dhaka, as a Research Consultant.

Deputy Secretary Ahmed Ullah, EC05-3 was promoted to Joint Secretary and serves as Director, Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation, Motijheel, Dhaka.

Mr. Karma Sonam Tsho- sar, EC06-1 heads the Asia Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; he is also attending the Australian National University, Canberra.

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In Memoriam

Colonel Rodolfo C. Calayo, Executive Course 00-3, recently passed away and his wife, Babes Calayo wanted to share her thoughts with the alumni. “To Alumni of APCSS and Class 00-03, Sor- row and grief have visited me, my life has changed forever more. For my dearest hus- band Col Rodolfo C. Calayo PN(M) Ret Class 2000-03 is now at peace... Has left this earth through Heaven’s door February 1, 2007 at exactly 3:20 am at Veterans Memorial Medical Center. He was laid to rest Febru- ary 8, 2007 at Libingan ng Mga Bayani, Fort Bonifacio. For though I grieve and though tears fall, I shall make it through this time of grief, for in my heart he shall still abide. And though he’s missed, I shall continue on.”

We offer our prayers and sincerest condolences.

Kashmir Valley by early June 07.

Jatinder Sikand, EC01-0, was promoted to Brigadier General and is Defense and Military Attaché in the Indian Embassy in Washing- ton D. C.

Neeraj Bali, EC03-3, has been posted to Kabul Af- ghanistan as Air Attaché.

Group Capt. Amit Tiwari, EC05-2, has been promoted to Major General and will take charge of a division in the
Two aircraft with food and water have reported that Indonesia sent aid to victims of the disastrous earthquake in Padang. He also reported that Indonesia successfully directed their APCSS to conduct its structure, organizing, vision, and mission. Beside the old structure, a Steering Board paralleled with the Government was established and MG Inkirwong is the Secretary.

**Indonesia**

Grig. Gen. Bibit Santoso, SEC06-2, was promoted to Major General. He stated "APCSS contributed immensely in shaping our life and career."

Lt. Col. Sharad (Sangita) Bulpai, SEC06-3, was appointed as the "Chief of Army Staff’s Command and Mission" for good work in year 2006. He was promoted to the rank of full Colonel.

**Indonesia**

Dr Irar Nusa Bhakti, EC02-1, expressed appreciation for the concern and condolences for the victims of the disastrous flooding that occurred in his country. “Thank you very much for the APCSS condolences to all of us. We are fine.”

**Japan**

Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Albert Inkirwong, SEC04-1, reported that the National Research Institute of the Republic of Indonesia (Lenhamsa RI) has revitalized its structure, organization, vision, and mission. Beside the old structure, a Steering Board paralleled with the Government was established and MG Inkirwong is the Secretary.

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**Japan**

Mr. Toshiro Saito, SEC05-3, was assigned as the Director of Equipment Policy Division, Bureau of Finance and Equipment, Japan Defense Agency. He and Mr. Kazushige Tanaka, EC06-2, reported the Government of Japan (GoJ) changed its defense organization’s name from Defense Agency to Ministry of Defense (MoD) and allowed MoD to conduct international cooperative operations (e.g. peacekeeping operations, humanitarian rescue operations) as its main missions.

Col. Naoyoshi Oyama, EC09-3, was transferred from Defense Intelligence Headquarters, Ichigaya to Headquarters of Northern Air Defense Force, Misawa, Japan.

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Mr. Rujilanto, EC05-2, was promoted to Head of Customs Service office - Matalaram in February 2007.

Mr. Dominique Rakotofazafy, EC09-2, was appointed as the Commandant of the Military Academy of Madagascar in February.

**Japan**

Rear Adm. Radadisonavelo Abel Nirina, EC01-2, was promoted to his second star and became the Commander of Malagasy Naval Forces.
some time. The course I took at APCSS has helped me to sharpen my course focus here, introduce new lectures, and initiate new research methodologies for military officers.”

Deputy Superintendent of Police Subodh Ghimire, CSRT 04-2, was recently promoted to Superintendent of Police.

Brig. Gen. Nar Bahadur Kandel, EC 05-1, successfully completed Brigade Command at home. At present, he is attending Royal College of Defence Studies course in London.

Col. Anuj Basnayat, EC06-1 is now the Deputy Commander of the 23rd Bde in Baglung.

Ramin-dra Chhetrit, CSRT 06-1, was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General in February and is now the Director of Public Relations.

Dr. Saubhagyav Shab, EC06-2, said “I have been teaching at the Army Command and Staff College for

Dr. Peter Greener, SSTR 06-1, is now the Head of Division of Public Health and Psychosocial Studies Faculty of Health and Environmental Sciences AUT, Auckland New Zealand.

Mr. Gordon Hook, SEC06-1, is the Executive Secretary (CEO) of the Asia-Pacific Group on Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing based in Sydney, Australia.

Nina Hekau, EC05-2, will soon study for a Masters in Law (LLM) at the University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

Brent Ioane, EC05-1, has been promoted to Police Sergeant.

Senior Police Sgt. Robert Toagiama, CSRT 02-3 leads the Immigration Dept.

Maj. Shabbir Hussain, CSRT 05-2, was selected as UN Military Observer for the UN Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea.

Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Nags Lomodag, EC02-1, works at the Office of Speaker Jose C. De Venecia, Jr. as Consultant on Security and Peace Process. He also works as local consultant of the Henry Dunant Center for Humanitarian Dialogue, a Geneva-based NGO.

Maj. Gen. Rodolfo Tor, EC04-3, is now the U.N. Police (UNPOL) Commissioner of Timor-Leste under U.N.Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (UNMIT). He is also the General Commander of the Timorese National Police (PNTL).

He also reported the Philippines will host the 40th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting/ Post Ministerial Meeting and 14th ASEAN Regional Forum this summer in Manila. CSRT graduates will be utilized on the security planning for the event.

Capt. Abdu-razad (Ab) Siraj, SSTR 06-1, was named the Balkitan Army as ‘07 Commander on Salu, a position normally filled by an O-6. Abe feels that he was selected for this position in part due to his newly acquired expertise after successful completion of the APCSS SSTR course.

Jay Espinosa, SSTR 06-1. “The Philippines finally has its own anti-terror law. President Arroyo signed into law the landmark Human Security Act of 2007 or the anti-terrorism bill, cementing the country’s unwavering commitment to fight global terrorism.”

Superintendent Carlos Lozano, CSRT 06-1, will be Chief Intelligence and Operations Division effective July 2007. He also reported the Philippines will host the 40th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting/ Post Ministerial Meeting and 14th ASEAN Regional Forum this summer in Manila. CSRT graduates will be utilized on the security planning for the event.

Col. Nichols Ojeda Jr., EC06-1, is Deputy Commander, Training and Doctrine Command, Philippine Army.
now Chief of Exercise and Training Division for AFOC at Osan AB, Korea

RUSSIA

Vladimir Cherev, EC02-2, published an article about “Hypothesis of the Superconducting Origin of Saturn’s Rings.”

Larissa Ruban, EC04-3, has organized and lectured at several seminars and exercises recently to include a Counterterrorism Exercise at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow, Carnegie Seminars, and Jubilee Kremlin 5th Russian Energy Forum.

SINGAPORE

Lt. Col. Desmond Chong, EC06-2, reported that he and Ling were married as planned in September. Congratulations Des and Ling.

SOLOMON ISLANDS

Edward Tokuru, EC01-1, is now the Director of the Maritime Unit.

Solomon Auga, EC03-3, is now retired. He is now a reverend and working as a parish priest at the Cathedral Anglican Church of Solomon Islands, All Saint Parish, Honiara.

Leslie Mason, EC02-2, is now retired and working for RAMSI Law and Justice Program, RAMSI Law and Justice Program Case Support Unit.

Robert Piringsius, EC02-3, is now the Acting Assistant Commissioner for Specialist Operations.

NELSON NAUSSI, EC04-1, is now the Commander of the National Response Unit.

SRI LANKA


Lt. Gen. Ravi Aranathavanathan, EC01-2, was appointed as the Deputy Chief of Staff Sri Lanka Air Force.

Mr. Ranjith Gunaratna, EC02-2, assumed his duties at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sri Lanka as the Director General, East Asia and Pacific Division.

MENDAKA SANGABINGE, EC04-1, has been promoted to Major General and is in New Delhi attending the National Defence College’s National Security and Strategic Studies Course. He is General Officer Commanding, 22nd Division, Trincomalee, Sri Lanka.

Mr. Sompol Kanchanaporn, SEC03-2, was named a member of the National Legislative Assembly (NLA).

Mr. Prakit Prachonpachak, SEC05-1, was promoted to Secretary General of National Security Council. He is also a member of the National Legislative Assembly and is the new President of the Thai alumni association.

THAI LAND

Gen. Kasemsan Plonsawat, SEC01-2, was named chairman of advisory committee to chairman of election commission.

TAIMAN

David Lin, EC06-2, is Director, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) in Sydney, Australia.

THAILAND

Col. Pisak Sungkobol, EC05-2, was promoted as Assistant Director of Plans and Strategy Division, Directorate of Joint Operations, Supreme Command Headquarters.

CURRENTS

Ambassador Singye Dorjee, Bhutan, EC03-2, reported that Ms. Rudeewean Kasetluxana, Thailand, EC03-2, was able to come to Bhutan’s National Day reception - she shared photos of the festivities. Mahadi Mabri, Brunei, of the same course also shared some pictures at the reception on the occassion of Brunei National Day on Feb 23rd in Tokyo. It was a pleasure to have our APCSS friend Mr. Takeomi Yamamoto, also of EC 3-2 and his wife at the event....well ...Sumo wrestlers were there too.

United States

Brig. Gen. John R. Allen, SEC05-1, will be the Deputy Commanding General, II MEF (Forward) for Governance and Economic Development for the next 13 months in Multinational Force - West in Iraq.

Larry D. Amante, CSRT 05-1, has a new job as the Chief, Operating Officer for ATAP International, a developer corporation for affordable housing for emerging countries.

Michelle Bas, JEC05-2, was promoted to Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Coast Guard.

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Bolander reported back that Bob is “going through extensive treatment for cancer (Multiple Myeloma). He is in good spirits and getting outstanding care and treatment at Bethesda National Naval Medical Center in Washington, DC. Let’s keep Chaplain Burt in our prayers and hope for strong recovery.”

Mr. Scott Blatter, EC06-2, stated that the course helped him perform increasingly challenging job responsibilities. Specifically, he was promoted to GS14 since leaving the course.

Mr. Jeff Bolander, EC99-3, visited the APCSS library web page using the Ask-a-Librarian reference service. The library staff found the information and faxed it to him at the conference. Mr. Bolander reported back that the information was “very helpful.” Thanks library.

Two alumni from Executive Course 04-3, Air Commodore Muhammad Raul, Bangladesh and Mr. Joseph Yun, United States, reunited at the U.S. embassy in Seoul, Korea.

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Maj. Mike Kirkpatrick, CSRT05-1, deployed to Afghanistan as the Senior Army Mentor to an Afghan Army Recon Kandak (Battalion). He is currently working for CENTRA Technology. This summer he will be traveling to Bangkok, New Delhi and Seoul on company business and, if possible, he would like to see any of his classmates that may be in those cities.

Eva Gonzalez, EC05-2, is working now for the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in Lanham, Maryland.

Mr. Scott Bush, CSRT 05-2 and SSTR 06-2, is currently serving as the Team Chief for 5/10 Civil Military Operation Force, Detachment Two, Team Four in Ramadi, Iraq. Currently the Team is focused on the repair of the electric grid and water treatment plants. Successful human engagement has led to security improvements in the city that in turn allow the reconstruction process to begin.

Mr. Jack Greenwood, EC 03-3, is currently working for CENTRA Technology. This summer he will be traveling to Bangkok, New Delhi and Seoul on company business and, if possible, he would like to see any of his classmates that may be in those cities.

Mr. Jeffrey Craft, EC05-1, participated in humanitarian dental work in Danang, Vietnam and is now on a medical mission in the Philippines. He also performed temporary duty aboard the USS Kitty Hawk in May.

Toby Collins, JEC07-1, resigned his commission, and has taken a position as a senior research analyst with CENTRA Technology, Inc. in Arlington, VA.

Lt. Col. Paul Guevin, Outreach Malaysia 2006, will be moving within two months to Montgomery, Alabama to take command of Detachment 2, 26th Network Operations Group.

Lt. Col. (Ret) Lewis Herring, EC09-1, now owns an “IT” company and does consulting.

Capt. Jarod Hughes, JEC05-1, was promoted to Assistant Director of Operations, 517th Airlift Squadron, Eielson AFB, AK.

Lt. Col. Mylene Huynh, EC03-2, worked with PACOM to conduct an avian flu rapid response workshop in Phnom Penh in February. Their activity emphasized interagency collaboration and border issues pertaining to pandemic flu preparedness and control. She departs soon for Kirkland, N.M. where she will be a squadron commander.

Col. Michael Keogh, EC05-3, reported “Zaman (Maishuhammad Serniabat) from Bangladesh spent 20 days in Singora, Bangladesh and I have been corresponding. He is currently in China attending the NDU while I am still in Australia. Zaman sent me a picture of him and some colleagues which included a Brunei officer. A Brunei officer in my CDSS recognized the officer and requested his email. So here we go: A U.S. Army officer in Australia sends an email to a Bangalore Air Force officer in China requesting the email address of a Brunei officer also in China for a Brunei officer in Australia. By the way, we succeeded!”

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Lt. Col. Keith Swensen, EC05-1, transferred from Japan and is now the Chief of Policy, Plans, and Strategy for the Aerospace Defense Division of NORAD.

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Eric Udouj, SSTR 06-2, was recently promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and is assigned as the Operations Officer to the 322 Civil Affairs Brigade at Fort Shafter, Hawaii.

Arthur Caution, EC00-2, has been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel.

Lt. Col. Aru Maralau, JEC05-3, is now the Commander of the Police Services.
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Ms. Megan Stauder, U.S., EC06-2 recently visited Kiribati. Photographed above are: Megan Stauder (left), Teata Tuaunibure (far right), Teata’s wife and a Kiribati Police officer. Megan reported that “besides the knowledge gained at APCSS, I met invaluable POCs throughout the region, who have all gone out of their way to collaborate on security cooperation issues with JIATF West. For example, my APCSS classmates, Glansay Enos (Marshall Islands), Tom Tun (Micronesia), and Teata Tuaunibure (Kiribati), were instrumental in orchestrating recent visits by JIATF West and US Coast Guard personnel to these three nations to conduct transnational crime assessments...Without the contacts made during APCSS, JIATF West would’ve had a very difficult time gathering information and coordinating with the right personnel to compile a comprehensive report on Micronesia, which will be shared with these host nations, to fight transnational crime issues in the Pacific.”

Takeomi Yamamoto, Japan, EC03-3, and his wife Satoko have a newborn baby—April 007. Both the baby and Satoko are fine and healthy.

Lt. Cmdr. Scott Kim, JEC 05-1, reported a new addition to his family: Annelise Helen Kim was born on Sept. 10, 2006. Congratulations! Kim is now a Asia-Pacific Port Security Liaison Officer at U.S. Coast Guard Activities Far East (Tokyo, Japan).

Brigadier Lalith Daulagala (EC06-03 and CS04-1) and his wife at a banquet celebrating the contributions of his regiment in Sri Lanka. His Excellency the President of Sri Lanka participated in the event.

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The 21st century has witnessed the emergence of terrorist threats unprecedented in their global reach, distributed nature, and willingness to target civilian populations of any creed. Using modern communication tools and media, terrorist organizations pose a grave and continuing threat to a peace and stability around the globe. Countering these threats requires a level of cooperation between countries and their respective security officials never before imagined. Such cooperation can not occur without a concerted effort by nations to bring their security officials together to develop relationships and build a network that will enable them to coordinate and act quickly and effectively with partners and allies to counter emerging threats.

The Combating Terrorism (CTF) Fellowship Program is a U.S. Department of Defense program specifically designed to help reinforce the combating terrorism capabilities of partners. Using this fellowship, we build and strengthen the global network of combating terrorism experts and practitioners who are committed to fighting this threat.

Administered by the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the CTF Fellowship Program ("CTF") has provided combating terrorism education to well over five thousand security officials from approximately one hundred and forty countries. Education funded by the Fellowship is focused on non-U.S. mid to senior level officials who are in key positions within their nation’s combating terrorism or security organizations. Those military officials, ministry of defense officials, and other security officials who complete CTF-funded education and training are expected to have a positive impact on their country’s combating terrorism capabilities throughout their career. Many CTF graduates of international and other individual training and education have played key roles in their country’s combating terrorism efforts, such as working in a National CT Center, developing CT policy and doctrine for their country’s security forces, or commanding national counterterrorism assets.

Combating Terrorism Fellowship offers a variety of education resources that are designed and targeted to achieve the goals of both our partner nations and the Department of Defense, such as: Masters Degree-producing education at the National Defense University (Washington, DC) and the Naval Postgraduate School (Monterey, California); individual US-based training at DoD schools, mobile education and training at events and comprehensive programs with regional and global application at the five DoD Regional Centers.

Mobile education and training events can be particularly useful as they can be tailored to the specific needs of the participants, and can be quickly and effectively delivered to the participants. Programs can range from standard training events, such as investigative training from the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Often, the students who participate in these local or regional events find themselves working together again in a real world situation. For example, participants of the military disaster planning mobile training event (produced by DIMO) held in Jordan in September 2005 relied on their training and education to respond to the horrible November 2005 hotel bombings in Amman.

Each of the five DoD Regional Centers has a combating terrorism program funded from Fellowship funds, such as the Comprehensive Security Response to Terrorism course hosted by the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies. These Regional Center programs are designed to be useful in maintaining a global combating terrorism network since they bring together officials from many different countries to learn about and discuss combating terrorism issues from their country’s point of view. The Regional Centers also host innovative events, like the Countering Ideological Support for Terrorism (CIST) Conference at the George C. Marshall Center, to discuss the ideological aspects of; and how to counter, terrorism.

The Security Assistance Office (SAO) in the United States Embassy in your country is the initial gateway to the Combating Terrorism Fellowship Program. Officers and officials wishing to participate in the types of programs mentioned in this paper should contact the American Embassy’s Security Assistance Office, or the Office of Defense Cooperation, to learn more about the opportunities available to them as well as the requirements for participation in these valuable programs.

For more information, please visit: www.dod.mil/policy/sections/policy_office/gsa/ctf/index.html

Using technology the classroom at APCSS

Q: Is technology compatible with the APCSS focus on building cooperation?

A: Absolutely, yes. Educational Technology is a key enabler of the successful fellow-centered learning in our “smart classroom” environment. Our use of technology is about four “Cs” - enriching and sharing content through the use of Computer-based platforms and enhanced Connectivity, thereby creating new opportunities for Cooperation. For example, for the first time, a media wall presentation featuring up to 40 different countries in the same number of simultaneously viewed streams, one needs a great deal of collaboration and teamwork among the fellows putting it together against a deadline.

Q: How do you introduce fellows with limited experience in technology to the concept so that they get the most of the technology?

A: We try to introduce various smart technologies “from end to end” throughout our educational process. During lectures, besides PowerPoint presentations, many professors use polling technology to gauge the common sense of the group on different issues under discussion. In our “smart class-rooms,” we introduce fellows to the latest smart hardware like the SmartBoards and such great visualization tools as Google Earth and Gapminder, with tablet PC’s coming soon. We also offer specialized computer training classes where fellows can learn how to use MS Office software and various Internet applications. We teach fellows how to use the web portal of the Asia-Pacific Collaborative Security Consortium and its collaborative tools like chat rooms, discussion boards, and wiki-wikis. Even off campus, they will soon have the broadband Internet connection and the opportunity to listen to the Podcasts and watch videocasts of our classes. In general, the modern day smart technologies are so user-friendly that one does not need to be Einstein to master them. As a matter of fact, most of the technologies we offer are used from the 4th grade in the U.S. elementary schools. If the 4th graders can do it, then our fellows should be able to do it, too.

To sum up, technology does make a difference in the quality of learning environment at APCSS. It enables our fellows to achieve their learning objectives faster, more effectively and efficiently, as well as to retain their knowledge longer and use it more productively here and beyond classroom. The center leadership and faculty are committed to technological innovation in our educational process to improve learning and sharing boards and build cooperation among our fellows.

Cambodia (cont. from Page 23)

According to APCSS Deputy Director Army Brig. Gen. (Ret.) James Hirai, “This meeting provided an opportunity for focused discussions on border management challenges, opportunities, and sharing information and practical ways to enhance good management. Based on the level of participation and lively discussions, we believe this is an important and timely topic, and that there are shared opinions about the need for intra- and inter-governmental cooperation. We are grateful for the hospitality of our co-host, the Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace, and that of the Kingdom of Cambodia, for their support and an enable venue. As APCSS look forward to future opportunities to participate in regional or regional events, our approach is cooperation on security related issues.”
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- The United States is constrained in its ability to assist Thailand, as the presence of U.S. military advisers would likely exacerbate the problem. The United States should, however, encourage the Thai authorities to improve good governance in the south, and pass on counter-insurgency policies to the Thai government. Although the Thai government predicts that the violence will be contained within six months, few observers share this optimism, and many expect that the violence will increase during 2007.
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