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Aloha from APCSS! We have just completed a very profitable workshop with representatives from almost all of our 37 APCSS Alumni Associations, and this edition of Currents will include lots of information about the potential of this community of expertise and influence.

In this edition of Currents we introduce, and/or remind, our graduates about connectivity among all APCSS graduates, as well as back to APCSS. Further, as always, this volume allows you to catch up on what Alumni are accomplishing.

Following on from the emphasis on leader empowerment in the last Currents magazine, this issue focuses on what Alumni are doing today and likely ahead. For over 12 years APCSS has been helping to enable Asia-Pacific leaders, and our APCSS Alumni Associations existing today are very likely to play a key role in expanding that in at least four ways.

First, these Associations will help advocate for APCSS, particularly in helping to identify leaders who are most likely to benefit from the unique APCSS learning experience. The Associations can help inform such leaders and encourage them to let the proper host-nation authorities know of their interests in participating in APCSS programs, in Hawaii and in the region (e.g., regional outreach workshops).

Second, these Associations will help security-practitioners at home connect to timely and useful information that APCSS alumni routinely have access to through the evolving APCSSLink capability, as well as the means to access subject matter expertise in the form of APCSS faculty and also fellow graduates from other countries. Around 3,600 APCSS graduates live and work in our region, and most are more than willing to stay connected and help each other in our never-ending effort to make our region more stable, secure and prosperous. This valuable network continues to expand and become more beneficial to all connecting to it.

Third, these Associations are conduits of interactive dialogue and thoughtful contributions on topics of continuing interest to all of us. Many of the initiatives underway, or being considered among the 37 Alumni Associations, have great promise for sustaining one



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helpful component of continuing professional education among graduates at little or no cost. As discussed at the recent Alumni Association Workshop, one of our most valuable resources remains the potential of individual Associations, as well as the Alumni enterprise as a whole.

Last, the Associations have committed to continuing the connectivity emphasis in order to help APCSS properly adapt its programs to real and future needs of Asia-Pacific security practitioners. Alumni organizations remain key to helping APCSS maintain precisely the right set of educational themes and topics, as well as the most effective, state-of-the-art methods to master knowledge and skills needed by security practitioners today and ahead.

Our alumni are our credentials at APCSS, and we continue to take seriously the best means, ways and ends to help them help themselves via useful networks.

It's all about leaders helping each other to build capacities needed to strengthen and adapt institutions and systems for the betterment of citizens all over the region.

Keep up your contributions, Alumni. We're proud of your accomplishments! Our best from Honolulu!

director's message

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APCSSLink now live

The long-awaited APCSS portal is now live and read for use. Formerly known as RIO (or Regional International Outreach), the site allows users to share information, collaborate and even communicate through the network.

The portal takes the place of the old alumni network and also can be used by current Fellows as well as faculty and staff.

Some features of the system include blogging, file sharing, threaded discussions, contact information, special event announcements, email and more. In future versions, the site will offer instant messaging and other communication features.

The portal was unveiled during the Alumni Association Leadership Workshop held at APCSS in July. In addition to receiving basic training on the systems, alumni leaders were also encouraged to use the site to help

What will ASC16-1 experience?

As new systems are designed to improve the education experience, APCSS continues to enhance the education technology used in our programs. In the last year we've introduced wireless internet access for our laptops, Smartboards in our seminar rooms and polling technology to get instant feedback.

Portals are being used to share information with Fellows while here and long after graduation.



Alumni Association leaders get familiarized with APCSSLink.

build their association's annual plans.

All alumni are encouraged to log on to the portal at <https://apcsslink.org>. Don't forget to subscribe to a group so that you can get information about your alumni association or special topic areas or even your class. You can also share information with a limited number of people by making them your "associates."

Our APCSS portal also connects our Fellows and alumni with security and disaster management experts.

Demographics for our courses is also being refined. In the last few years we've welcomed Fellows with a broader range of experience - now Ministry of Defense Fellows are seated next to Customs Officials and Non-Government Organization representatives.

One of APCSS' pillars has always been the ability to share information transparently and with non-attribution. The portal is password protected so that we can continue to support an environment where you can express your opinions.

For more information on the portal go to www.apcss.org and select APCSSLink.

APCSSLink

Current Features:

- Blogging
- Threaded Discussions
- Calendar of events
- APCSS & Regional News
- Publications

How do we expect the APCSS experience to evolve in the future?

APCSS Deputy Director, retired Brig. Gen. Jim Hirai has written a course graduation article about this future class as a blog on APCSSLink. Read more about it online at <https://apcsslink.org> and give us your thoughts.



APCSS IT Department: Carla Estrada, Carol Oshiro, Melody Pickens, Sheryl Uyehrar, Melody Green, Tom Thorton, Tessie Magaoay, Brad Ong, Matt Samson, and Chris Conde.



Lt. Col. John Gasner, LA Jeffords-Mills, Tonya Imus, Bette Uyeda, Sheri Uyehara and Melody Green.



Dr. Elizabeth Davis, Carleton Cramer, Dr. Rouben Azizian, Herman Finley and Dr. Mohan Malik.

Federal Executive Board Awards

The following staff and faculty were honored at this year's FEB Luncheon:

- Team Excellence* - Information Services Department;
- Federal Supervisor/Mgr of the Year* - L.A. Jeffords-Mills;
- Employee of the Year*
 - (*Profession, Administrative and Technical*) - Bette Uyeda;
 - (*Administrative*) - Cathy Moszkowicz;
- Exceptional Community Service* - Tonya Imus;
- Outstanding Leader* - CSS Program Manager Team (Dr. Rouben Azizian, Carleton Cramer, Dr. Elizabeth Davis, Herman Finley, and Dr. Mohan Malik); and
- Outstanding Mentor* - Lt. Col. John Gasner.

Hails and Farewells...

Winter and Spring at APCSS produced a flurry of personnel changes in almost every area. The biggest change took place in the College of Security Studies. **Dr. Alexandre Mansourov** took his expertise to the Washington D.C. arena while **Dr. Robert Wirsing** retired from the Center to begin a new career teaching in Doha, Qatar Emirate. Joining the faculty were **Lt.Col. Nelson**, **Lt.Cmdr. Noel Dahlke**, **Justin Nankivell**, **Kerry Nankivell** and **Dr. Alexander L. Vuving**. On the Trends Analysis Program staff, **Col. Charles King** retired as **Maj. Brian Middleton** began his tour. **Linda Magno** returned to us as the CSS Admin Lead, and **Robin Burrell** joined as an administrative technician. **Sheryl Burgmann** moved from CSS to Personnel, where she joined newcomer, **Shari Plummer**.

The next department with the most personnel moves was Information Services. **Stephen Chang** retired and was replaced as Chief, Customer Service, by **Sheri Uyehara**. **Daniel Park** and **Jerome Sajulan** joined the staff, and two other newcomers, **Sharon Godwin** and **Alan Lum**, are now part of the Computer Lab team.

In Admissions, **Lt.Col. John Gasner**, alumni chief, retired from the Air Force, but remained to head the office as a civilian. **Lt.Col. Jenny Caruso** left for a

new assignment in Europe. **Linda Jimenez**, moved from Personnel and joined **SSgt. Darien Turpeau** from Conference Support and **John Leroy** and **Trish Burdett** from CSS, to staff the new Travel Office. **YN2 Cristina Treppe** headed East when she left the Navy. **Paul Goto** and **Dalton Nouchi** have already made positive contributions to a very talented Visual Information staff. **Lt.Col. SJ Lee** is our newest Senior Army Fellow and **Tami Rosado** returned to the Library staff.

In Special Staff operations **Jim Philpott** came onboard to help identify and improve Center work procedures. **Michelle Allen** arrived to deliver critical administrative support to the Special Staff. In the Public Affairs Office, longtime admin support tech, **Charlotte Robertson** retired, and former photographer **Bob Goodwin** returned as the webmaster.

In the happiest of personnel actions, Majors **Michael Mollohan**, **Miemie Byrd**, and **Bryan Greenstein**, were selected for lieutenant colonel. Greenstein and his wife, Kitty became the proud parents of a baby boy they named Connor. From Admissions, **Cpl. Justin Hartfield** and his wife, Darla, were also new parents of a baby boy, Ethan. Rounding out the good news, **Sgt. Dian Wilson**, Special Staff, was also rewarded for hard work with a promotion to Staff Sergeant.

Visitors



Ambassador Willy Gaa, Philippine representative to the U.S., recently visited APCSS and participated in a roundtable with faculty and staff. During the roundtable, the ambassador provided useful insights on the coming food crises in East Asia. APCSS faculty and staff highlighted APCSS contribution to Disaster Management in the Asia Pacific through current and future course work, outreach, and alumni activities.

While visiting, Amb. Gaa met with current APCSS Fellows from the Philippines. More than 180 Fellows from the Philippines have graduated from APCSS programs.



Dr. Feleti Sevele, Prime Minister of Tonga, visited APCSS Tuesday, January 22. It was his first visit to the Center which has hosted 30 Tongan military and senior civilians in APCSS programs.



Luvsanbaldan Tumurbat, senior advisor to the prime minister, visited the Center in January with several other senior Mongolian advisors.



Amb. James Moriarity, U.S. Ambassador to Bangladesh (2nd from left) visits APCSS.



General Sir Timothy Granville-Chapman, Vice Chief of British Defence Staff & Defence Attaché, visited APCSS to participate in a roundtable on US Policy in Asia.



(Center) Brig. Gen. Ravinder Singh, Chief of Staff (Joint Staff) for the Singaporean Defence Force receives a tour of the Center from Deputy Director Jim Hirai. Also pictured are Singapore Defense Attache to Washington Brig. Gen. Richard Lim and PACOM's Lt. Col. Stephen Ma.



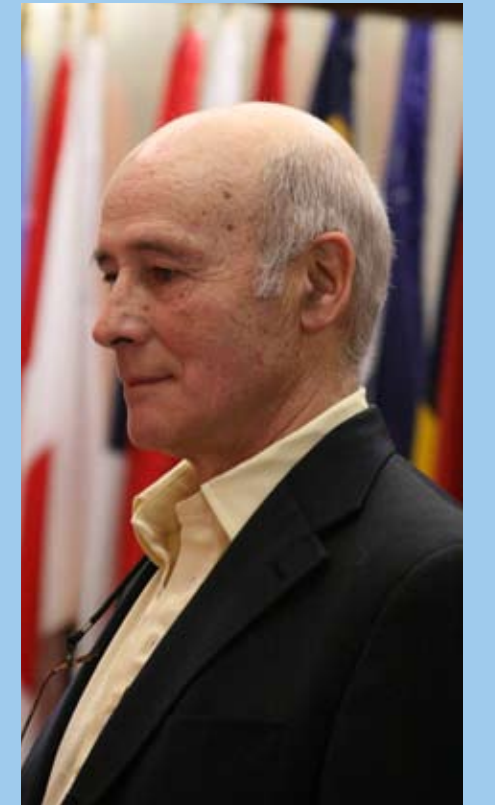
Amb. Charlie Salmon hosts Minister Soubank Srithirath of Laos on a visit to the Center.



LtGen Sirapong Boonpat; Secretary-General of the National Security Council (Thailand) and eight delegates visited the Center in January to discuss national disaster management issues.



APCSS Deputy Director Jim Hirai welcomes international Fellows from the Army War College.



Dr. Joseph S. Nye, Harvard University Distinguished Service Professor, former Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, and author of "Soft Power: The Means to Success in World Politics" met with APCSS Staff and Faculty in a special roundtable held at the Center.

Annual Foundation Meeting

The annual meeting of the Foundation for the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies was held in May at APCSS. During the meeting, new members were welcomed to the group including Mr. Lee Weber of the Honolulu Advertiser. They also received an update on recent and upcoming APCSS programs.

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."

The meeting also gave Advanced Security Cooperation course Fellows a chance to meet Foundation members which included prominent Honolulu business and civic leaders and retired senior military leaders.



Attending the annual meeting were: *front row (l-r)* Mr. Leigh Wai Doo, Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Hank Stackpole, Mr. Gerald Sumida, Mr. Art Tokin, Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Ed Smith; *middle row (l-r)*: Mr. Easton Mason, Dr. Lawrence Tseu, Mg. Gen. Herb Wolff, Mr. Steve Van Ribbink, Mr. David Pietsch, Mr. William Inglee; *top row (l-r)*: Mr. Glen Hong, Mr. Robin Campiano, Mr. Duan Kurisu, and Mr. Nick Ng Pack.



Brig. Gen. (Ret) Jim Hirai, Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Hank Stackpole, and Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Herb Wolff.



Foundation members meet with Fellows from ASC08-1.



Dr. Lawrence Tseu



Mr. Glen Hong with two ASC Fellows



Foundation members receiving an APCSS update at their annual meeting.



Foundation members. Faculty and Fellows meet during a reception after the annual APCSS Foundation meeting.

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Mr. David Pietsch
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Dr. Lawrence Tseu
Mr. Steve Van Ribbink
Mr. Lee Webber
Gen.(Ret.)Fred Weyland,
U.S. Army
Mr. Robert Wo
MG (Ret.) Herb Wolff,
U.S. Army

Faculty Members on the Move

APCSS recently welcomed a number of new faculty members:

Justin Nankivell comes from the University of Victoria, Canada. As an instructor at the University of Victoria, He brings teaching



and research interests to APCSS including the role of international law in foreign policy decision-making, international organization(s), law and the use of force, transnational crime, comparative criminal justice, and international criminal law and policing.

Prior to her arrival, **Kerry Nankivell (EC05-2)** served as a Program Manager in the Office of the Asia-Pacific Policy Advisor for Canada's Commander, Maritime Forces Pacific and Joint Task Force Pacific. She provided ongoing analysis of the Asia-Pacific region to the senior naval staff including running research projects; coordinating conferences and lectures; and



Kerry Nankivell



Dr. Robert Wirsing Retires Into New Job in the Gulf

July 18 was Dr. Robert Wirsing's last day on the job at the APCSS. He leaves the Center and retires from federal service following eight years as a faculty member in the College of Security Studies. From Honolulu, Robert goes to Doha, capital of the Qatar emirate, where he will be a visiting professor at Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service at Qatar (SFS-Q). The SFS-Q is part of a higher education complex at Doha called Education City. Robert will be teaching undergraduate courses in international relations.

preparing briefings on a wide array of regional security issues, including naval modernization, state-to-state relations, maritime boundary disputes, resource scarcity issues, stabilization activities and transitions to democracy, ethnic conflict, and crisis management.

Dr. Alexander L. Vuving came from the Department of Political Science at Tulane University, where he taught courses on International Relations, International Security and China and the World, as well as a field seminar in International Politics. His primary areas of expertise include: grand strategy making, foreign policy change, and Asian security.



Lt. Col. Brian Nelson came to APCSS from Headquarters U.S. Pacific Air Forces. His current focus is Comprehensive

Crisis Management in the Asia-Pacific region.

Lt. Cmdr. Noel Dahlke came to APCSS after completing a three year tour with Sea Control Squadron THREE ONE based at NAS Jacksonville, FL. His current focus is on civilian-military relations.



For complete biographies please go to www.apcss.org



Dr. Elizabeth Van Wie Davis provided a Video Tele-Conference lecture to the Fellows of the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (CDSS) on April 1. The lecture was very well received.



Dr. Virginia Bacay-Watson attended the 2008 Annual Meeting of the

American Association for the Advancement of Science, 'Science and Technology from a Global Perspective.' She recommended some possible additions/supplements to the Advanced Security Course (ASC) curriculum in various forms.

Army Research Fellow **LTC Bill Harmon** represented APCSS at the Multi-



lateral Planners Conference in Copenhagen, Denmark, May 13-15. The theme was Maritime Security and was attended by senior Navy and Coast Guard leaders from more than 60 nations. Presentations and discussions focused on regional perspectives on maritime security and government and military challenges in developing a holistic and integrated approach. The common

consensus was that enhancing cooperation and trust through exchanges, exercises and other engagement activities was the key to effective maritime security.



Dr. Ehsan Ahrari (right) visited India at the end of 2007 as part of a research project on the "India-China Emerging Nexus: How Realistic, How Enduring."



Dr. Yoi-chiro Sato moderated a discussion led by Dr. Prapat from Thailand.

Dr. Prapat discussed his research proposal and the state of China's relations with the U.S., regional multilateralism, the prospects of a concert of powers in the A-P region and related security issues. **Dr. Mohan Malik** also participated in this roundtable discussion.

During a trip to Thailand **Captain Brad Smith** participated in the International Seminar on "A-P Security: Addressing the Challenges of a Changing World." He also gave a Maritime Security & APCSS Vision 2025 presentation at the Prime Minister's Office to a group of 50 security practitioners.

In Memoriam



Donald Lane Berlin, an admired scholar, teacher, security analyst,

and, for the last nine years, Professor of International Security at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, died at home on July 1st from cancer. He was 63.

Previously employed with the Defense Intelligence Agency in Washington. He joined the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies in 1998, not long after its founding. At the Center, he stood out for his genuine love for teaching, his dedication to scholarship, and for his communication skills. He was a key contributor to the popular Executive Course and took a keen interest in mentoring the many hundreds of fellows, from over 40 countries, who studied at the Center. A man with a ready smile, a warm handshake, a wide

experience of the world, and a lively intellect, Dr. Berlin played a major role in building the Center's worldwide reputation for leadership in international security studies. He retired from the Center in 2007.

Dr. Berlin authored scores of articles and book chapters, many of which appeared in some of the world's leading journals of opinion. *Before Gringo: History of the Philippine Army 1830-1972*, his own book on civil-military relations in the Philippines, appeared earlier this year and is one exhibition of his life-long interest in the country.

Dr. Berlin was remarkably true to his consistently humane convictions, clear-headed in his understanding of the world, and as good at listening to the thoughts expressed by others as at conveying his own. He will be fondly and forever remembered by his family, his many friends, his colleagues, and his students – all of whose lives he touched gently, lovingly, and with unsurpassed fellow feeling and generosity.



Research & Analysis

The APCSS Research Program promotes efforts by faculty members by:

- Helping the faculty to remain at the cutting edge of their profession by funding research and conference trips to various countries of the Asia Pacific
- Facilitating the APCSS' role as a conduit of timely and qualitative information for PACOM, OSD, and our alumni
- Facilitating the production of quality essays on the "hot" issues related to comprehensive and cooperative security for policy practitioners of the Asia Pacific
- Promoting inter-organizational cooperation on research projects with both U.S. military and civilian agencies as well as with governmental and civilian research bodies in the countries of the Asia-Pacific region
- Inviting prominent security specialists from around the region, drawn either from the ranks of practitioners or academics, to carry out research on mutually agreed subjects and to participate in symposia.

Byrd recognized for JFQ article on Socioeconomics
Professor Miemie Winn Byrd is the winner of the Joint Force Quarterly 2008 Kiley Award for Best Interagency Dialogue Article for her article "Combating Terrorism with Socioeconomics: Leveraging the Private Sector." The article is posted at http://www.ndu.edu/inss/Press/jfq_pages/editions/i44/20.pdf

Worldwide Food Shortfall

World wide, the supply and the price of staple foods such as rice, corn, and wheat have escalated dramatically, with the supply expected to remain constrained and the price high for the foreseeable future. Retired Army Col. Charlie King has written an analytical paper on the current food crisis and its potential impact. You can read the full paper at: <https://apcsc.apan-info.net/APCSCIInsights/tabid/562/Default.aspx>

Perspectives from the U.S., Russia & China on Countering Ideological Support for Terrorism

Dr. Rouben Azizian has co-authored a chapter in a new book entitled: *The United States, Russia, and China: Confronting Global Terrorism and Security Challenges in the 21st Century* edited by Paul J. Bolt, Sharyl Cross, and Su Changhe. Read more about it at: <https://apcsc.apan-info.net/>



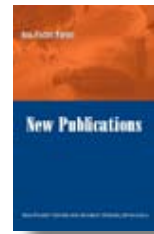
Considering Gender in Economic Development and Counterterrorism Strategy*

From the *Asia Pacific Economic Update*, APCSS Professor Miemie Winn Byrd co-wrote this chapter showing how poverty affects men and women differently. To reach more go to our website at: <http://www.apcsc.org/Publications/3-07%20Considering%20Gender%20in%20CT%20Strategy.pdf>



Uyghur Muslim Ethnic Separatism in Xinjiang, China

A January 2007 Chinese raid on a training camp in Xinjiang killed 18 terrorist suspects and one policeman. Seventeen more suspects were reported captured and explosives were seized. The raid was said to have provided new evidence of ties to "international terrorist forces." The raid marks the latest clash between Uyghur Muslim separatists and Chinese security services, reflecting a limited challenge to China's mainland stability. This clash is the topic of a new paper by APCSS professor Dr. Elizabeth Van Wie Davis entitled "*Uyghur Muslim Ethnic Separatism in Xinjiang, China.*" You can read it on the web at: www.apcsc.org



Australian-American Relations In Testing Times

Still an "Excellent" Relationship: Australian-American Relations in Testing Times" is a report prepared for APCSS by Dr. William T. Tow. In this report, Tow states that "the new Australian government led by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd combines a sophisticated but as yet untested blend of idealism and pragmatism that could sharply test the Australian-American alliance."

In addition, "the Rudd government will push for multilateral regional security dialogues and mechanism in Asia that may force the United States to adjust its own long-standing bilateral security approaches in the region on trade, arms control, and other key issues."



Tow further states that "the 'China Factor' will remain the most critical and potentially the most volatile element in the Australian-American relationship." To download the full paper go to www.apcsc.org

The Post-9/11 American Conundrum: How to Win the War of Ideas in the World of Islam

APCSS Professor Ehsan Ahrari has written an article entitled "The Post-9/11 American Conundrum: How to Win the War of Ideas in the World of Islam." The article published in the latest edition of *Mediterranean Quarterly* describes the challenges of conducting a public diplomacy campaign in the Muslim world.



His article describes how today's campaigns compare to cold war campaigns and what impediments exist to a successful public diplomacy effort.

According to Dr. Ahrari, "Given the enormity and intricacy of the issues involved, the 'war of ideas' is not likely to come to an end during the remainder of this decade or even in the next decade. He further outlines what is necessary for a meaningful exchange of dialogue between the United States and the world of Islam.

The article can be found on the web at: <http://mq.dukejournals.org/cgi/reprint/19/2/82>

DRVAT improves Risk Assessment

The Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, in collaboration with the Pacific Disaster Center (PDC), has recently developed the Disaster Resilience Visualization and Assessment Tool (DRVAT), a risk assessment tool designed to provide disaster managers with more complete risk assessments.

It is a freely available and interactive GIS tool which will allow visualization of the relationship between factors of human security which contribute to vulnerability and capacity and hazard related factors. It is part of an integrated regional effort to shift focus in the Asia Pacific from disaster response to disaster risk reduction and mitigation.

As the focus shifts towards the paradigm of preparedness and risk reduction, DRVAT contributes to better risk management decisions by regional, national and local leaders in their efforts to build capacity and prepare for shocks. DRVAT rein-

forces efforts to accomplish disaster risk reduction through the dissemination of global indicators and data sets that inform and influence disaster risk management initiatives.

This widely accessible resource for global information provides an environment where users may visualize hazard occurrences and compare country-level social and economic data related to human security. These comparisons can serve as a platform for public security practitioners, policy makers, and program developers to facilitate planning and preparedness processes as well as assistance in the development of risk management priorities.

Currently, the project is in a proof of concept stage, and only portrays national level data. The authors of the site intend to push the visualization down to subnational/provincial level.



Transnational Security Cooperation

Senior Executive Courses TSC08-1 and TSC08-2

Two classes of senior leaders completed the Transnational Security Cooperation course in recent months. The course is an intensive program for current and future senior regional influencers/leaders, military officers at the one- to four-star level, and their civilian equivalents from the Asia-Pacific Region, as well as Canada, Chile and Peru. 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.



TSC08-1 Fellows work discuss solutions during an exercise on the Lanai.



Twenty-four Fellows attended TSC08-1 which was held Jan. 28 - Feb. 1, 2008.



TSC08-2 was held June 16-20, 2008 with 24 Fellows attending.

Returning Alumni share their thoughts on the APCSS Experience

During TSC 08-2, two Fellows were also returning alumni. We asked them a few questions about their APCSS experience.

Mr. Tevita Kolokihakaufisi (Tonga - EC02-3)

What do you think is the value of the APCSS learning experience?



The problems are inter-related and interconnected. We learn here that we have to work together. I think that's the important thing about the Center. It brings people who are in a position to make decisions, and makes them discuss what their problems are, how connected they are, and not only that but they become very close to each other so that they could always talk to each other if there is a problem almost anywhere in this world. That's one of the things I see the Center being persistent on; you come as leaders and talk about the problems you have in this world and because today a lot of people are saying

we live in a global village, which is true. If we do not work together to address those problems, there will be a very big problem in the future.

Have you stayed in contact with fellows from the last course you attended at APCSS?
About two, I have managed to stay in contact with. One was a Tuvaluan friend. The climatic issues are very incumbent on Tuvalu and Tonga, so all the meetings that are on climate change, I've been able to get the views of his government, and so we work our views on that, and then we address the international sponsors and organizers, and what is really happening to us, and to act in company with them so that our voices are heard.

Commodore Bruce Pepperell (New Zealand - EC99-03)



How has your experience at APCSS changed your perspective on transnational security issues?

Well I think I need to go back a couple of years. I'm a logistician by trade and used to operating at the technical and operational level, and I've never had a staff course, so coming to this program back in '99 was the first time I'd actually had a chance to reflect on things at a strategic level, so it gave me a whole new insight into what makes the world tick. It also sort of wet my appetite for international studies, and since then I've gone on to do a Masters degree at London. Although that had a more Euro, U.S. focus, and so this particular program (SEC) has given me an opportunity to reorientate my understanding back to the Asia-Pacific arena.

How has APCSS helped you since you first participated in a course?
Well I think if you're going to be a successful leader in this area, and you're in the business of conflict prevention and conflict resolution, it's important that you have an understanding of what makes the world tick and

some of the forces at play here. At the end of the day, it's not simply about winning a war; it's about winning a peace, regardless of whether you have the war first up. At the end of the day, we all have to sit around the table, and if we're able to do that prior to going to any other phase, then that's far more preferable.

How many folks from your last class do you still keep in touch with?

It was nine years ago, we still float the occasional email, we certainly float emails at Christmas time. I obviously travel extensively and so do some of them, and I've arranged to see and bumped into quite a few members of that particular course. It's great to see them; it's like seeing a long lost member of the family and you'll appreciate that after 12 weeks we truly were a family. We've maintained contact, maybe not as much as we should have. After nine years things tend to wane a little bit, so I guess one of the things I'll do when I go home is dig out the email list and say 'hey! Guess where I've been!'



TSC at-a-glance
Since 1999

- 20 Classes
- 405 Fellows from 35 Countries and 3 IOs

Advanced Security Cooperation

Executive Course: ASC08-1

Sixty-four senior military and civilian government leaders from 26 countries throughout the Asia-Pacific region graduated May 20 from the “Advanced Security Cooperation Course,” also known as the Executive Course.

The six-week course is focused on building relationships among mid-career leaders and decision makers within the Asia-Pacific region. Its curriculum emphasizes the non-war fighting aspects of security and international relations, and it challenges participants in the program to develop regional and transnational perspectives.

Dr. Rouben Azizian, APCSS professor and ASC program manager, noted that participants of this most recent course were extensively surveyed both at the start of the course and again at its conclusion. In this way, faculty at APCSS were able to gain a thorough understanding of the participants’ initial perspectives and most pressing security concerns, as well as how they were impacted by their experiences at the Center. A significant finding was that prior to the course, participants identified internal problems of the state as their first interest and priority, but coming out of the course, they were far more concerned about transnational security challenges and issues concerning the

Asia-Pacific region as a whole. As survey results indicated, participants were greatly impacted by both the course’s discussions of national policy, as well as how the economic, diplomatic, political, cultural and military elements of power affect the stability and security of the greater Asia-Pacific region.

Azizian noted that one of the highlights of this course was an enhanced level of connection and consistency between the several workshops offered throughout the program. Workshops included topics such as Disaster Management, Risk Assessment, and Sustainable Development. A participant in the course from Pakistan

stated, “I was used to thinking of transnational security issues in terms of terrorism, disaster, and narcotics. The workshops made me think beyond these traditional issues and factor in religion, culture, health, and others. The workshops were a very good exercise with real world relevance.”



Another highlight of this past course was the improved implementation of the APCSS portal, an online interactive collaborative resource that brings course participants together so that they can share ideas and information on transnational security and stability related topics, executive education, disaster management, as well as research and discussion in all of the above. Through the portal, seminar leaders and workshop participants were able to share ideas and conduct fluid threads of discussion that greatly enhanced the effectiveness of communication among both the faculty and participants.

Azizian also noted that this past class was especially vibrant and involved, with question and answer sessions being among the best ever. A key to maintaining the energy of discussions in the ASC course has been initiating diversity on multiple levels. “We had a very dynamic group of female

participants,” said Azizian. “They were very vocal, visible, and articulate. However, there are often less female fellows in our courses than we would like, and we still need more.” In the future, he hopes to not only diversify the demographics of the participants but also the organizations they come from in order to enrich class discussions with more perspectives and backgrounds. He reported, “While the representation of different agencies was generally very good, we were still lacking the presence of representatives from regional organizations, NGOs, and business communities. We are hoping that we will be able to attract an even wider variety of security practitioners in the future.”

The ASC course, a program “permanently in transition”, continues to evolve in order to better address the security concerns of the participants who come through the doors of APCSS, and more importantly, to facilitate their



Dr. Rouben Azizian with the seven women who participated in ASC08-1

achievement of practical and useful skills in regional cooperation to aid in the resolution of critical transnational security challenges faced throughout the region.

ASC at-a-glance
 Since 1996
 • 33 Classes
 • 2,162 Fellows from 46 Countries

Comprehensive Security Responses to Terrorism

Sixty-two Fellows graduated from the three-week Comprehensive Security Responses to Terrorism (CSRT) Course March 26. The Fellows included military and civilian participants from 31 countries.

The CSRT program was developed in the aftermath of 9/11 in order to increase the international collaborative effort against those who use terror to achieve political goals. The program is global in nature in that it draws participants from all regions of the world, although the program's primary focus is the Asia Pacific region. The course provides participating countries in the Asia-Pacific region the operational and strategic-level skills necessary to enhance their ability to combat terrorism and to cooperate with other regional nations. It is designed to build relationships between and among current and future counterterrorism practitioners of participating countries, develop the trust and confidence necessary for increased information sharing, and identify ways to reduce obstacles to cooperation in the international struggle against those who use terror to promote their goals.

CSRT at-a-glance Since 2004

- 9 Classes
- 457 Fellows from 55 Countries



Sixty-two Fellows graduated from CSRT08-1 on March 26.

In addition to coming to understand the importance of networking and cooperation in combating acts of terror in the Asia Pacific region, participants in the program gained a comprehensive and multidimensional understanding of terrorism as a whole that many found useful for inspiring more effective courses of action that can be taken in the future. A participant reported, "I feel that I have a more complete understanding of the complexities of combating terrorism. I thought that this was just a religious war, but I now know that it is more than that. There are issues of economic, education, and political implications. I feel like I have a widening of my understanding about terrorist ideologies and their struggles." Another participant in the program asserted, "The course has changed my view on the importance of understanding, assessing, and developing courses of action to counter terrorism."



The dynamism of 2008 has meant exciting things for the Asia Pacific Orientation Course. APOC focuses on trends and current issues shaping the Asia-Pacific security environment, all the while considering U.S. interests in the region. In the words of one Fellow, APOC "provided a very good overview of Asia Pacific affairs and the US role in those affairs. [Now] I am more cognizant of how those issues affect my duties both directly and indirectly." APOC 08-1 was a vibrant and positive class that stimulated new ideas and new plans for the future.

One of those new plans is the enhanced use of technology in the course. Beginning in July 2008, APOC will introduce electronic 'pre-learning' tools, which include online lectures that are course prerequisites. These lectures are by senior APCSS faculty and outline the underpinnings of security in the Asia Pacific, allowing the course to delve more deeply into certain countries and transnational issues, like Islam in Asia.

An expansive APCSS alumni network and a regional "community of expertise" via a dedicated web portal is also available to APOC Fellows and alumni, giving them access to an expanded network of contacts among security practitioners that includes their fellow classmates, APCSS faculty, and

Asia-Pacific Orientation Course



APOC08-1 was held January 14-18, 2008

international Fellows from other APCSS courses.

The other central element of the Asia Pacific Orientation Program is outreach to the components that deal specifically with the Asia Pacific region. Primarily, the outreach is to the U.S. components that are in the immediate vicinity, but includes other closely related institutions. The purpose is to more fully share the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies mission with U.S. military and civilian personnel. According to the course manager, Dr. Elizabeth Van Wie Davis, "APOC is moving into some exciting new areas, using new technology and Fellow enthusiasm as our fuel."

Senior Leaders version of APOC to kick off in fall

While the core of the Asia-Pacific Orientation Program is the primary course, APOC, a second course, the Senior Executive Asia-Pacific Orientation Course



(SEAPOC), will be showcased in October 2008.

SEAPOC similarly builds upon existing experiences within the Asia-Pacific security environment and suggests an ongoing dynamic role for the US, but this time exclusively for more senior security professional. "Cooperation is a must if we are truly to succeed and perhaps even survive in this new world of globalization. We can't just keep our head in the sand or take an isolationist approach, but we must be an active player on the world stage, especially as it applies to security," one Fellow reminds us.



APOC at-a-glance Since 2007

- 4 Classes
- 252 Fellows

Comprehensive Crisis Management

Fifty-two Fellows graduated February 22 from the “Comprehensive Crisis Response Management: Preventing, Preparing, and Responding Course” (CCM) in Honolulu. The Fellows represented military and civilian government leaders from 27 countries throughout the Asia-Pacific region who attended the four-week course to study regionally collaborative approaches to crisis management.

“This, the fourth edition of the CCM course, continued to build and deepen regional agreement on how nations work together to prevent and respond to both natural and man made crises,” said Professor Herman Finley, CCM course manager.

The CCM course curriculum is generally divided into three major blocks: framing the problem, elements of stability, and making collaborative operations work. In addition to this conceptual framework, the course also addresses CCM-task coalition building and operations, inter-agency coordination, stability trends analysis, preventive activities, international interventions, post-emergency reconstruction, transition shaping, and strategic communications.

One of the more innovative aspects of this particular course was the use of the APCSC web-based portal for seminar discussions, as well as threaded discussions across seminars for collaborative work on various regional problems of crisis management. Additionally, the fellows in CCM 08-2 contributed over 20 documents to a growing electronic library of crisis management references which will all be available to APCSS alumni and future attendees of the course.

Countries represented at the course were: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Brunei, Cambodia, Comoros, Cook Islands, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mauritius, Micronesia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tuvalu, United States and Vietnam.



Seminar 2 with Dr. Mohan Malik



CCM08-1



CCM08-2



CCM at-a-glance (Since 2006)

- 5 Classes
- 200 Fellows from 36 Countries

Mongolia focuses on emergency readiness

Working to improve emergency response and risk reduction was the topic of a workshop held March 10-14 in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. The Mongolian participants, all key leaders in the energy sector, focused their discussions on how the Mongolian government coordinates and synchronizes appropriate steps to build national disaster resiliency while reducing risk. They also discussed how relief and humanitarian assistance efforts would be managed by the whole of government, international organizations and registered non governmental organizations in the event of a disaster.

The workshop centered on two key components of crisis management: response and prevention. The discussions on response considered: (1) managing Humanitarian Assistance/Disaster Response (HA/DR) requirements; (2) understanding the various dimensions of the disaster; (3) coordinating and supervising internal government and non-government response efforts; and (4) managing the interface with external organizations. The participants derived over twenty specific recommendations for immediate action from their discussions of preventative options.

Thirty-seven participants attended the workshop, including representatives from eight ministries and seven other agencies of government, representatives from the National University of Mongolia, and observers from USAID, World Bank, Asia Foundation and other key development agencies and non-governmental organizations.

Deputy Prime Minister Miyegombo Enkhbold and Ambassador Mark C. Minton provided opening remarks for the workshop. Their remarks were followed by framing comments from APCSS Deputy Dean Dave Shanahan and the new

NEMA High Commissioner Tsvegmid Amgalanbayer.

Presenters included: Jim Petroni, who offered “International Best Practices;” John Livengood of the Pacific Disaster Center who presented information on Vulnerability and Assessment Visualization, and George Mayberry from the Alaska Dept. of Homeland Security and Emergency Management who compared the costs of mitigation efforts built into the Alaska pipeline with the payoff benefits seen during a recent earthquake that devastated the adjoining road

network but left the pipeline intact.

Following the presentations and a day of scenario-driven exploration of the current state of Mongolian preparedness, the heart of the workshop was the 3rd and 4th day subgroup discussions led by APCSS Professors Herman Finley and Col. Charlie King. These discussions identified the most important actions needed to respond to a crisis were it to occur, and more importantly to better prevent such a crisis from happen-

ing in the first place. Professor Finley commented: “the depth of these discussions represented an almost unprecedented willingness to share information across agencies within the Mongolian government—a real step forward.”

The workshop closed with presentation of results and recommendations to the Minister of Fuels and Energy and the Deputy State Secretary for the Cabinet. The Deputy Prime Minister will receive the results of the workshop through his Advisor for Emergency Matters who attended elements of the workshop.

According to Shanahan, “the output was unprecedented in its candor and might actually be catalyst of needed change depending on the flow of the political situation over the coming months.”

In addition, “many commented that our workshop was a unique opportunity for mid-senior officials involved in the Energy and Disaster fields as well as other ministries to come together in common cause,” said Shanahan.

The workshop was sponsored by Mongolia’s National Emergency Management Agency and APCSS with assistance from the U.S. Embassy in Mongolia, the Pacific Disaster Center and the Institute for Strategic Studies.



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- Diplomacy: 25
- Other: 54

Pandemic Tempest



Senator Daniel Inouye



(above) Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo and Hawaii Lieutenant Governor, James “Duke” Aiona

In collaboration with the National Defense University Strategic Policy Forum and U.S. Pacific Command, this crisis simulation exercise provided a forum for Federal, State, and local officials to explore an urgent real world crisis of avian flu and issues and the requirements for effective integration of their efforts. Held Jan. 10 at APCSS, attendees/speakers included: the Honorable Senator Daniel Inouye, the Honorable Senator Dan Akaka, Mr. Peter Verga (PDASD for Homeland Defense) and Hawaii Lt. Governor Duke Aiona.

Trilateral Radicalization Workshop: U.S.–Japan–Australia



APCSS provided support for a trilateral workshop on radicalization from March 31 through April 3. Counter-radicalization was one of the major themes discussed at the June 2007 Counterterrorism Trilateral Conference involving senior participants from the U.S., Japan, and Australia. As a follow up, participants agreed to hold a counter-radicalization workshop for working-level officials from trilateral partners to exchange research on domestic and international counter-radicalization programs and to discuss how such research can be most effectively used in policy formulation and evaluation.

Managing Borders in the Maritime Domain



“Managing Borders in the Maritime Domain” was the focus of a recent conference co-hosted by the Malaysia Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) and the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies. Held June 9-11 in Kuala Lumpur, the conference brought together more than 50 international experts from 11 nations to look at how they can better work together.

The focus of seminar discussions was better understanding of how various levels of inter-agency officials in the governments of South East and South Asia nations coordinate and share useful information to delineate and control borders, resolve fishing and disputed resource issues, and correspondingly deal with all forms of trafficking challenges, including human, drug, weapons, and animals, as well as terrorist transits and disease control. Break-out group discussions

specifically addressed management techniques, procedures, technology and organizations related to efforts conducted by governments and non-governmental organizations throughout the region.

Opening ceremonies included a keynote address by Yang Berhormat Dato' Haji Hasan Bin Malek, Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department. He stated that “it is essential that states in the region cooperate, identify and resolve weaknesses in their enforcement mechanisms, including all elements of ambiguities, and lacunae of existing international and domestic laws. By doing so, they will ensure that no criminals are able to escape the hands of the law, and this will in turn pose a sufficient deterrence to would-be offenders. After all, prevention is still the



RADM Dato' Noor Aziz (4th from the left) discusses maritime security. Pictured are: Mr. Jun Tsunekawa, Dr. Greg Barton, Dr. Lee Endress, RADM Dato' Noor Aziz, Mr. Rodel Cruz, and Dr. Hj Sutarji.

best form of effective law enforcement.”

Additional opening remarks were made by MMEA Director General and APCSS alumni (SEC05-2) Admiral Dato' Mohd Amdan bin Kurish (SEC05-2), and; Mr. David Shear Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy Kuala Lumpur. Other keynote speakers included: Rear Admiral Dato' Noor Aziz bin Yunan, Deputy Director General (Operations), MMEA; Dr. Lee Endress, Dean, College of Security Studies, APCSS; Dr. Greg Barton, Monash University; Mr. Shyamsunder Tekawani, Nanyang Technological University,

Singapore and Ms. Lee Yin Mui, Assistant Director of Research, ReCAAP.

According to APCSS professor, retired U.S. Navy Captain Carleton Cramer, the conference was successful in providing participants a better understanding of various national perspectives on border control challenges in the maritime domain. Participants also gained an appreciation for shared maritime border control, where appropriate and necessary.

This event was a follow-on multinational conference to the February 2007 land-border control conference held in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Strengthening Democratic Governance of the Security Sector: Indonesia and Mongolia

Dr. Alfred Oehlers

In April, Parliamentarians from Indonesia and Mongolia participated in a workshop focusing on strengthening democratic governance over the security sector in their respective nations. A collaborative effort between APCSS and the U.S. House of Representatives' House Democracy Assistance Commission (HDAC), the workshop comprised two sections, the first of which was held at APCSS in Honolulu between April 23 – 25, and the second in Washington, D.C. from April 28 – May 1, 2008.

The nine participants included six from Indonesia's Parliamentary Commission I: Defense and Foreign Relations, together with two Parliamentarians and a staffer from Mongolia's Standing Committee on Security and Foreign Policy.

During the Honolulu phase, participants were afforded the opportunity to reflect on the key challenges encountered in strengthening security sector governance in their countries. Through a series of focused group discussions, they also identified critical next steps that could be taken in order to address these challenges.

While in Washington, the Parliamentarians had the opportunity to interact with key stakeholders in security sector governance in the

United States. The visit included a full-day of briefings and discussions at the Pentagon (including a lunch hosted by Deputy Secretary for Defense, Mr. Gordon England); two days of briefings and meetings at Congress with Members on key committees and their staffers (e.g. HDAC, the House Armed Services Committee, the Appropriations Subcommittee, etc.); and a final day at the State Department (with a short meeting with AMB Scot Marciel - U.S. Ambassador for ASEAN Affairs - and a roundtable chaired by Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Glyn T. Davies, with Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas J. Christensen in attendance). Sandwiched within this packed schedule, the Asia Foundation graciously hosted a dinner at Congress for the visiting Parliamentarians – an extremely enjoyable and successful event that was well-attended by representatives from the Pentagon, Congress, and Washington policy community.

According to participants, the Honolulu phase provided an invaluable preparatory foundation for the Washington, D.C. visit. The time at APCSS allowed them to systematize and organize their thoughts on the security sector in Indonesia and Mongolia. Further, as one participant observed, “by analyzing the weaknesses



Indonesian and Mongolian Parliamentarians visit the Pentagon during a recent trip to Washington D.C. where they also met with key members of the U.S. Congress and U.S. Department of State.

of Security Sector governance, I had an opportunity to identify potential steps to improve.” Participants were highly appreciative of APCSS faculty efforts during this phase. Expert lectures combined with skillful facilitation assisted Parliamentarians in identifying “standard systematic mechanisms... [for] the way the practice of democratic governance controls [should] be implemented.” Another declared the “analytical tools provided by faculty greatly enhanced our capabilities” in security sector governance.

Participants were similarly enthusiastic about the visit program in Washington, D.C. Through the briefings and discussions with key U.S. stakeholders, the Parliamentarians developed a much finer understanding of U.S. institutions, policies, and processes in the arena of security sector

governance. Significantly, they also gained valuable insights into best practices that may assist their efforts in enhancing security sector governance in their home nations. As one Parliamentarian stated: “Such meetings exceeded our expectations and we were able to obtain the results that we were looking for.”

For all concerned, the workshop was immensely successful. As one Parliamentarian put it: “Great: right topics, right people, right time, right place and organized right.” APCSS was delighted to have the opportunity to work with HDAC in achieving such positive results. Beyond strengthening the capacity for effective security sector governance in Indonesia and Mongolia, the workshop definitely improved further the strong ties that exist between the U.S. and these nations.

Building stronger associations

Workshop brings together Alumni Leaders

Alumni Association representatives returned to APCSS to discuss how their organizations can help improve connectivity with APCSS and each other in support of regional security cooperation.

A workshop for designated representative of each of the 37 APCSS alumni associations was held July 1-3. There were three primary objectives of the workshop: to improve connectivity between alumni and with APCSS; to develop an outline for each individual country's alumni association initiatives and challenges and to build alumni network and association capacity, specifically outlining the role of alumni associations in advancing regional security cooperation.

Discussions revolved around top regional security issues and how APCSS is addressing these challenges, active associations' presentations on best practices, planning association initiatives within individual countries, and planning sub-regional and regional events to advance security cooperation.

"The alumni conference was a two-way contributory exercise which will ultimately yield the result of professional development of each alumni association in vari-

ous parts of the world," said Tahir Hanfi, ndc, Secretary of the APCSS Alumni Association in Pakistan (AAP).

"The frank and bold exchange of views generated a challenging atmosphere and at the end of the each work day, we all came up with a serious problem and also hints for its practical solution.

"The bottom line is 'alumni Conference proves part of solution,'" said Hanfi.

The workshop also included training for alumni association representatives on the new APCSSLink portal. As part of the training, representatives created groups for members of their individual associations, posted plans for future events, and learned how to use the system to continue to connect with other alumni throughout the region.



Several members of EC04-1 reunited at the workshop. Pictured here are: Dr. Viacheslav Amirov (Russia), Lt Col. Raymond Numa (Papua New Guinea), Wandalynn Remeliik (Palau), Dayani Sumithra Panagoda (Sri Lanka), Rico Marbun (Indonesia) and Tahir Hanfi (Pakistan).



(L-R) Superintendent Kalo Willie Ben (Vanuatu), Undersecretary Ernesto Carolina (Philippines) and RAdm(Ret.) Ernesto Schroth (Peru)



Alumni Association Leadership Workshop



Leonaitasi Kuluni (Tonga), Tom Patykula and Charithie Joaquin (Philippines)



Prof. Sridhar Kumar Khatri (Nepal), Gabriel Morris, and Sherrian Marie Reber (US)



(L-R) Professor Taj Hashmi (APCSS), Captain Subramaniam Raman (Malaysia), Colonel ZRM Ashraf Uddin (Bangladesh), Captain Tomohiko Madono (Japan)



Captain Subramaniam Raman (Malaysia)



Tahir Hanfi (Pakistan)



Rico Marbun (Indonesia), Amb. Salmon and Air Vice Marshall (Ret) Koesnadi Kardi (Indonesia)



(front) David Panuelo (Micronesia), Dr. Ta Minh Tuan (Vietnam), (back) L. Kuluni (Tonga) and Bernard Adinwin (Marshall Islands)



Dr. Mani Singh Malik (India)



Rudewan Kateluxana (Thailand)



Lt.Col John Gasner conducts APCSSLink training.



(L-R) Simon Clarkson (Aus), Charithie Joaquin (Ph.), Katrina McColl (Aus.), Col Dominique Rakotozafy (Madagascar)



Col. Enkhjargal Badarch (Mongolia), Mike Hogan, and Col. Dominique Rakotozafy (Madagascar)

Upcoming Events

Pacific Island Nation Security Issues Workshop

Sep. 16-19, 2008 in Tonga

Focus of the workshop is better understanding of current and anticipated priority security concerns among South Pacific Island nations. Anticipated outcomes are enhanced shared understanding of current and anticipated security issues in the South Pacific region; identification of next steps required to enhance security collaboration; and creation of a network/community of security practitioners committed to security co-operation and with shared understanding of paths forward to achieve this



Developing, Planning and Administering Humanitarian Disaster Relief: National, Regional and International

October 6-10, 2008 in Seoul, Korea

This workshop co-hosted by APCSS and the Korean Institute of Defense Analysis will look at whole of government approaches and processes used in managing disaster relief efforts.

Transnational Security Challenges and Cross-Regional Cooperation

October 26-31, 2008 in Honolulu, Hawaii

This seminar will be a joint effort of the APCSS and the George C. Marshall Center bringing together some of their senior alumni for a 5-day seminar. The overall objective and theme of the seminar is enhanced inter-regional understanding of security issues and concerns in regions supported by both Centers, as well as logical security-cooperation interfaces requiring cross-regional collaboration. This inaugural seminar identifies proven practices in responding to security trends and shocks and expands potential areas of inter-regional cooperation.

Pacific-Rim Security: Managing the Global Commons

January 13-15, 2009 in California

A three-day multinational workshop of security practitioners from select Pacific-rim nations on both sides of the Pacific Ocean will initiate dialogue, gain insights and develop mutual understanding of regional policies to manage global commons. It is co-hosted with the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies (CHDS) and the Freeman Spogli Center at Stanford University.



During a trip to Australia, Lt. Gen. Smith met with a number of alumni. Pictured here (l-r) with Col. Eric C. Lorraine, Chief, Office of Defense Cooperation at the US Embassy are Ms. Liz White (EC07-2), Dr. Karl Claxton (JEC05-2), Cmdr Chris Morris (EC07-2), Cameron Gill (JEC06-1), and Cmdr Richard Menhinick (SEC08-1).



Director Smith and the then Secretary General of Thai NSC LTG Sirapong Boonpat.



Dr. Yoshiro Sato; Dr Alan Ryan, CDSS Principal; Dr. Rouben Azizian; CDSS Course Director Col. Rob Hitchings (SS07-1); and Dean Lee Endress. *Not pictured:* Dr. Mohan Malik.

APCSS Faculty Goes Down Under

In May, an APCSS team conducted several workshops at the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies in Canberra Australia. The workshops enhanced CDSS curriculum and benefitted APCSS through a sharing program. The focus of the APCSS module was energy security cooperation. Participating in this event were Dean Lee Endress, Dr. Rouben Azizian, Dr. Mohan Malik, and Dr. Yoshiro Sato.

Building partnerships in the region...

During the past few months, APCSS has continued to engage with regional leaders to better understand the security issues but also by building relationships with like-minded officials and institutions.

Thailand: In Thailand, over 60 officials from the Office of the Prime Minister, Ministry of Defense, National Intelligence Agency, (NIA) and Ministry of Foreign Affairs engaged Director Smith in a roundtable discussion on "Security Challenges Ahead." This discussion provided a great exchange of perspectives for dealing with future regional security challenges. To foster partnering opportunities, APCSS established a relationship with the National Security Council (NSC). The NSC has created a National Crisis Management Center (NCMC) and to help develop the professionals in NCMC, APCSS provided opportunities to participate in its Comprehensive Crisis Management course.

Hong Kong: In Hong Kong, the Permanent Secretary of Security, Ms King Yiu Chang welcomed the notion of increased cooperation between Hong Kong security practitioners and APCSS. The Hong Kong Commissioner of Police, King Shing Tang, is enthusiastic about the opportunity to send more police force personnel to APCSS courses. Mr. Yam-Yung "Frank" Kwok, graduate of CSRT06-1, indicated that the

education and experience received from the APCSS counter terrorism course helped members of the Hong Kong police force plan and implement security measures in support of the 2008 Olympics.

India: To expand APCSS regional

partnerships, Director Smith met with Lt Gen Satish Nambiar, Director, United Services Institution of India; Vice Admiral S. Bhasin, Commandant of National Defence College; and Maj Gen Bhatnagar from the Indian Center for UN Peacekeeping. The representatives of these prestigious institutions are interested in future col-



LTG Smith with Ms. King Yiu change, Permanent Secretary of Security



The Australian Homeland Security Centre and the newly forming Asia-Pacific Centre for Civil-Military Cooperation (APCCMC) welcomed engagement with APCSS. These institutes are designed to help Australia better align public (civilian and military) with private-sector assets. Getting government and non-government officials to cooperate in the complex security environment is a common goal shared by APCSS.

laboration with APCSS. At India's request, Director Smith served as the inaugural speaker at the new Joint Warfare Center. Joint/Multinational Collaboration was the topic for the event and over 60 Indian officials participated in the discussion.

Cambodia: In Cambodia, LTG Sem Sovanny (Director of Training, Mine/UXO Clearance Center) expressed interest in a potential Peacekeeping Operations (PKO) outreach event with APCSS. The Udong Demining Training Center may further develop from a regional demining training center to a PKO training site.

Vietnam: APCSS enhanced its relationship with Director General Duong van Quang, his principal deputies, and around 30

faculty and researchers of the Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam. In addition, senior officials from the Institute of Defense International Relations sought greater engagement with APCSS.

Indonesia: The president of the Indonesia APCSS Alumni Association AVM (Ret) Koesnadi Kardi welcomed APCSS to its first Indonesian APCSS Alumni Association Outreach Event. The subject of the workshop was "Discussion on the Development of an Indonesian National Defense University." Participants shared insights on establishing a military higher education institution. This is a fine example of great initiative within the alumni association.

APCSS now has more than 3,700 alumni and 37 alumni associations. As a result of the growing alumni interest and in recognition of the alumni commitment towards making a positive impact on security cooperation, we highlight some of the alumni associations' successes.

Mongolia's Alumni Association has conducted security-related roundtable discussions on "NATO, SCO and Mongolia" and "Land Mine Problems and Mongolia". As Col. A. Tuvshintugs, the president of the association indicated, "it is crucial to convey the views of researchers and scholars to the minds of politicians and state leaders." In addition to roundtable discussions, the association has helped conduct an international conference on "Furthering Security Sector Reform and Ensuring Human Security" and this December, the Mongolian Institute for Strategic Studies will host, in cooperation with the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, an international conference, "Present and Future Security Environment in Northeast and Central Asia: Mongolia as a New Helsinki?" The alumni associations of both APCSS and the Marshall Center are contributing their joint efforts to make this conference successful.

Thailand's APCSS Alumni Association has been actively involved in incorporating APCSS faculty into various security-related roundtable discussions and briefings at the Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and vari-



((right)) Maj. Chris Mills (ODC at the U.S. Embassy in Cambodia), Director Smith, Dr. Charles Craft (EC05-1), and Maj. Gen. Suon Samnang (EC97-1) at a Cambodia Alumni Association event.

ous academic wings of the Armed Forces. Some of the faculty and staff who have participated in these speaking engagements include, Dr. Mohan Malik, Dr. Yoichiro Sato, Mr. Herman "Butch" Finley, Capt. Brad Smith and Director Ed Smith. In the future, the association plans to act as a liaison between APCSS and a newly-established academic institution of Prime Minister's Office which is entrusted to train and produce regional security analysts. The type of cooperation could be academic seminar exchanges, class exchanges, outreach exchanges and personnel exchanges, etc.

The **Indonesian APCSS Alumni Association** in collaboration with APCSS and supported by another 90 colleagues from security and defense-related organizations, hosted a workshop to discuss the possibility of forming an Indonesian Defense University. Currently, the association is planning to conduct another workshop with the theme of "Establishing Regional Security." The association hopes to conduct this workshop in Jakarta next January 2009. Pakistan and Indian alumni association representatives have already stated that they would like to lend their support to this regional workshop.

The **Philippines Alumni Association** provides briefings about APCSS to new Fellows to help them prepare for upcoming courses in Hawaii. The association has also established an email group and web page to keep all alumni informed and to share and discuss security issues.

Other alumni associations are developing their own plans for improving connectivity and cooperative efforts. The July 2008 alumni association workshop at APCSS proved to be an important first step for many of the alumni wanting to expand collaborative security initiatives. Through this alumni workshop, APCSS demonstrated its commitment to: improve connectivity among all associations and with

In Memoriam:

In the last six months several alumni have passed away. We are sad to report that:

Wing Commander Azhar Ismail (Pakistan), SSTR06-1 died in a plane crash while performing his duties.



Brig. Gen. Zahoor Ahmad, (Pakistan), CSRT05-2, died in a helicopter accident.



Larry Eshleman, (U.S.), EC98-2, died of heart failure in his home in Florida.



APCSS; help alumni associations develop individual program initiatives; and help alumni associations foster collaboration related to regional security cooperation.

A major step towards our connectivity is the new APCSSLink. It's now online at <https://apcsslink.org>. Through this portal, you have the opportunity to upload photos, documents; enter live chat rooms for security-related discussions; post comments and join discussions about security issues; send email to other APCSS alumni, and access information and databases to help in your job or research projects.

You can also find more info on our website at <http://www.apcss.org>. Just click on "APCSSLink"

Please contact us if you have any ideas on improving our networking and cooperative ventures or if you need support for your association's initiatives.



In February, several APCSS alumni took part in a U.S. Pacific Air Forces legal conference held at APCSS. Pictured are: CDR Brian O'Donnell, Lt. Col. Mark Pollard (APOC07-2), Dr. Rouben Azizian, and Lt. Col. Kenneth McKay (EC05-2)



EC01-3 grads Arunrung Phothong and Liam Humpreys visited APCSS in the spring and met with Lt. Col. John Gasner, Tom Peterman, and Amb. Salmon.

Members of SEAS delegation visit APCSS

This year's Symposium on East Asia Security (SEAS) delegation recently visited APCSS. Participants included 27 of the best and brightest from the military and foreign affairs agencies of most of the nations of East Asia and the Pacific and included several APCSS alumni.

The theme of this year's program was "China and India as Regional & Global Actors." Participants primarily focused on U.S.-Chinese relations and its potential impact on the future of the region. SEAS is sponsored by U.S. Pacific Command and the U.S. State Department.



This year's Symposium on East Asia Security (SEAS) delegation included several APCSS alumni pictured with other SEAS members and Fellows attending ASC08-1. Pictured: Senior Colonel Phung Quang Tao of Vietnam (SEC06-1); Lt. Col. Aleamotu'a of Tonga (EC01-2 & C01-06); Brig. Gen. Hirai; Captain Tomohiko Madono of Japan (EC06-2 & C06-08); U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Lesa Spivey (AP08-1), Deputy Public Diplomacy Advisor for U.S. Pacific Command; and APCSS Professor Dr. Rouben Azizian.

Alumni Returns



APCSS was visited by international fellows attending the U.S. Army War College. In the group were two alumni - Colonel Dashdavaa Dashtseren of Mongolia (EC00-3) and Maj. Gen. (Ret) Ashok Kumar Mehta of India (C04-06) pictured here with Brig. Gen. Jim Hirai.



Matthew Leslie of New Zealand (EC06-1) recently stopped by the Center to visit with Lt. Col. John Gasner and Tom Patykula.

Alumni Promotions

Bangladesh

Retired Colonel **ZRM Ashraf Uddin**, EC04-2, has been promoted to Principal of Manarat Dhaka International College, Dhaka.



Cambodia

Samrang Rithyrunck, EC04-3, was promoted to brigadier general and is Deputy Director in charge of Defense Spokespeople's Affairs Department of Information Ministry of National Defense.



Heisela Uk, CS05-2, and Outreach Malaysia, has been promoted to police colonel and is the Deputy Director Intelligence Department, Cambodian National Police.



Chumnith Yin, OR06MA, was promoted to colonel.



Canada

Rear-Admiral **Philip McFadden**, EC02-2, will be promoted to vice-admiral in June and take command of Canada Command as of June 2008 in Ottawa.



Chile

Juan Chiminelli, EC03-2, was promoted to captain and he is Commanding Officer of the VP-1 (Maritime Patrol Squadron).



Alfredo Whittle, EC03-3, was promoted to captain and assigned as Defense Attaché in Ottawa, Canada.



Guillermo Lüttges, EC04-3, has been promoted to captain and designated as Military and Naval Attaché in Paris, France.



Francisco J. Fierro, EC05-1, was promoted to captain and is now the Commanding Officer of the 3rd Marine Detachment, posted in Talcahuano, Chile.



Ecuador

Fernando Recalde Morillo, CSRT05-2, was promoted to captain of Frigate and is the Commander of the Battalion of Special Forces of Ecuador's Marines.



Fiji

Jackson Evans, EC02-1, was promoted to colonel and Commander of the Fijian Contingent and Battalion in Iraq under the UN mission.



India

Ms. Mukta Tomar, EC97-1, has been appointed as Deputy High Commissioner for India in Dhaka.



V. K. Chopra, EC04-1, was promoted to air commodore.



Shashi Bhushan, CSRT07-1, was promoted to Joint Secretary Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.



Indonesia

Dr. Ahmad Dirwan, EC97-2, was promoted to First Marshall in the Indonesian Air Force



Semion Remon, EC98-2, was promoted to major general and is working as Expert in Study of Politics at National Resilience Institute of Indonesia (Lemhanas).



Hari Haksono, EC06-2, was promoted to colonel (Medical Corps) and is still posted as Secretary of Saryanto Institute of Aerospace Medicine in Jakarta.



Japan

Kazuya Hayashi, SEC03-1, has been promoted to lieutenant general and is the J3, Joint Staff Japan, Ministry of Defense.



Laos

Viroth Sundara, EC06-1, has been promoted to Deputy-Director General of Asia-Pacific and Africa Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic.



Malaysia

Hasan Ali, EC02-3, has been promoted to colonel and has been appointed the Director of Special Forces Directorate at Army HQ.



Jamel bin Abd Rahman, EC03-2, was promoted to captain and remains Director, Royal Malaysian Navy Leadership Centre.



Maldives

Ibrahim Latheef, EC01-1, was promoted to Senior Deputy Commissioner (Maldives Police Service), and he is in Australia studying for a doctorate in Security Science at Edith Cowan University.



Mauritius

Mahadeo Ramchurn, EC04-1, was promoted to Assistant Commissioner of Police.



Patrick Randamy, EC05-1, was promoted to Assistant Commissioner of Police and has been appointed Divisional Commander of Rodrigues Island Police.



Mongolia

Prof. Dashdorj Bayarkhuu, EC06-1, was appointed Ambassador to Egypt.



Mr. Tsendin Monk-Orgil, SEC02-1, is Minister of Justice and Home Affairs.



Mr. Nyamma Enkhbold, SEC05-3, is the Minister of Cabinet Secretariat Office.



Mr. Tsolmon Tserendash, SEC06-3, is the Minister of Construction and Urban Development.



Nepal Pradhurna B. Shah, EC99-2, was promoted to Joint Secretary and now heads the South Asia / SAARC and BIMSTEC Division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



Brig. Gen. Shiva Ram Pradhan, EC01-2, was promoted to major general and appointed Director General of Military Operation of Nepalese Army and Vice-Chairman of Joint Monitoring Coordination Committee dealing with the ongoing peace process in Nepal.



Kishor Kumar Lama, CSRT06-3, was promoted to Additional Inspector General of Armed Police Force and has been assigned as the Chief of Border Crime Control and Security Department, of Armed Police Force Headquarters.



Mr. Bhupendra Poudyal, ASC07-2, was promoted to Joint Secretary.



New Zealand Commodore Bruce Pepperell, EC99-3, was appointed Deputy Chief of Navy.



Pakistan

Ayaz Ahmed Nasir, EC00-3, was promoted to commodore and is serving as Defence Adviser.



Gulzar Janjua, EC01-2, was promoted to air commodore and assigned to Joint Staff Headquarters as Director of Coordination.



Ijaz Ahmed Bakshi, SEC04-2, has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant general and appointed as Director, General Weapons and Equipment at General Headquarters Rawalpindi.



Rana Zahoor Ahmad, EC05-2, was promoted to Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Law, Justice and Human Rights, Islamabad.



Shahid Anwar Khan, EC05-3, was promoted and posted as Chief (Human Resource Management), Federal Board of Revenue.



Papua New Guinea

Chief Superintendent Awan Sete, EC05-3, was promoted to Assistant Commissioner of Police and appointed the Divisional Commander of Port Moresby.



Philippines

Arthur Abadilla, EC97-2, has been promoted to Pro-vost Marshall.



Edgar Gonzales, CSRT05-2, was promoted to colonel.



Rey Lanada, CSRT 06-1, was promoted to Police Chief Superintendent and presently, he is the Deputy Regional Director for Administration of Police Regional Office 8 stationed at Camp Kangleon, Palo, Leyte.



Ferdinand Boco, SEC06-3 was promoted to lieutenant general and is the Inspector General, AFP.



Roberto Damian, EC06-3, was promoted to Police Chief Superintendent.



Froilan V. Bonifacio, CSRT08-1, was promoted to Police Senior Superintendent. He is presently assigned as Chief, Support Service Division of the Intelligence Group of the Philippine National Police.



Sri Lanka Lalith Daulagala, CSRT04-1 and EC06-3, was promoted to major general.



Dappula Swarna Bothota, SSTR07-1, was promoted to lieutenant colonel and is now commanding the senior most Regiment of the Sri Lanka Army (1st Reconnaissance Regiment Sri Lanka Armored Corps).



Thailand

General (Ret) Kasemsak Plooksawat, SEC01-2, was selected as a Senator.



Salawin Uttarak, EC03-2, was promoted to colonel.



Anan Sanguan-sombat, EC03-2, was promoted to captain and appointed Deputy Director of Policy and Plan Div, Naval Logistics Department.



Chakkrawut Yoonan, EC07-1, was promoted to colonel. He is the Deputy Director of Plans and Training Div., Directorate of Intelligence, Royal Thai Army.



Timor Leste

Mr. Roberto Soares, EC03-1, was promoted to Director-General for Regional Integration and Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



United States

John R. Allen, SEC05-1, was promoted to major general in the U.S. Marine Corps. He completed a 13-month tour as the Deputy Commanding General Multinational Force-West in Iraq and along with the III Marine Expeditionary Force (Fwd) headquarters has redeployed to Camp Lejeune, N.C.



Vietnam

Nguyen Quoc Long, EC99-1, was promoted to senior colonel. He works at IDIR as Chief of EU-US Division.



Alumni News

Afghanistan

Mr. Haider Ghulam and **Mr. Ajmal Shirzai**, CCM08-1, volunteered to establish the Afghanistan APCSS Alumni Association. The unique and surprisingly wonderful difference about this association was that it was established during their graduation ceremony at APCSS. Haider and Ajmal are enthusiastic about continuing security cooperation and networking efforts.

Australia

Retired **Air Vice Marshal Alan Titheridge**, SEC 99-1,

was recently appointed Vice President Australia Operations for L3 Communications, based in Canberra.

Amb. Peter Tesch, SEC02-1, is now the Executive Director of the Shanghai World Expo unit. He is responsible for all planning and execution of Australia's participation in the Expo, which runs May through October 2010.

Rear Admiral Davyd Thomas, SEC05-3, has been appointed as Deputy Chief of Navy in June 08.

Bangladesh

High Commissioner Shafi Ahmed, EC99-1, has been reassigned as the High Commissioner to the United Kingdom in London.

Brig. Gen. Jalaluddin Md Akbar, EC05-1, joined United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL) as Sector Commander.

Group Captain Muhammad Mortuza Kamal, SSTR06-2, is attending the National Defence Course in Bangladesh.

Maj. Gen. ANM Muniruz-zaman, SEC06-2, as the

President of the Bangladesh Institute of Peace and Security Studies (BIPSS) and in collaboration with International Committee of the Red Cross sponsored a seminar on "Humanitarian Intervention in Fragile States." In collaboration with the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Dhaka, he also sponsored roundtable discussions on "Strategic Change" and "Decentralized Prosperity." In addition, he visited Vancouver to speak at the Global Futures Forum (GFF) annual conference on transnational security issues.

Mr. Asad Alam Siam, EC06-3, has transferred to Manchester, UK as Assistant High Commissioner.

Wing Commander MD Readd Hossain, CSRT07-1, is now the the Grade-1 Staff Officer with the Directorate General of Forces Intelligence.

Group Captain Rabiul Sikder, SSTR07-1, was posted as senior academy instructor at Defence Service Staff College in Dhaka.

Commodore ASM Abdul Baten, EC07-2, has recently been posted to the National Defence College, Bangladesh, as Senior Directing Staff.

Brig. Gen. Nazmul Hussain, ASC07-2, is posted to Rajshahi as Commandant of Bangladesh Infantry Regimental Centre.

Bhutan

Mrs. Kunzang Namgyel, EC03-1, recently moved back to Bhutan from Geneva where she is now Chief of Protocol.

Mr. Dorji Penjore, EC04-2, completed a Master of Arts in Anthropology from the Australian National University, Canberra.

Brunei

Suzimah Latif, EC07-2, is now Acquisition Officer in Directorate of Finance and Acquisition, Ministry of Defence.

Cambodia

Lt. Col. Kong Morakat, CSRT04-2, completed his one-year United Nations Mission (UNMIS) tour of duty in Sudan and is returning to Cambodia.

Police Lt Col Chhel Khourn, EC06-2, is Chief of Non-Immigration Bureau (Visa).

Col. Sophanna Vann, EC07-1, is Chief of Evaluation and Analysis Office.

Canada

Michael J. Maxwell, EC03-2, visited APCSS enroute back from Japan (7th Fleet Conference). He is from MARPAC/JTFP.

Cmdr. Kelly Larkin, EC04-1, is in command of the frigate HMCS Calgary which is currently part of a Canadian Naval Task Group conducting an around-the-world deployment, with a primary mission of assuming command of Combined Task Force 150 (CTF 150) for coalition operations in the Arabian Sea, Jun-Sep 08.

Comoros

Ms. Nakchamy Nailane, EC06-1, has been appointed Adviser to the President, and she is in charge of the follow-up of cooperation with the Anglophone countries. She is also coordinating with fellow countryman **Mr. Anfane Said M'Changama**, ASC07-2, in starting a Comoros APCSS Alumni Association.

Fiji

Col. Mosese Tikoitoga, EC04-1, is attending the National Defence College in India.

India

Maj. Gen. Ata Hasnain, EC00-2, is commanding a division in Kashmir.

R. Chandrashekar, EC02-2, is the Director Chief of the Army Staff Secretariat.

Commodore Sudhir Pillai, EC03-3, completed his National Defence College in New Delhi and has assumed command of the DDG INS Mysore with base port in Mumbai.

Brigadier Praveen Bakshi, EC04-1, and **Surgeon Captain Vinita Tomar**, EC06-2, are attending the National Defense College in India.

Ashok K. Behuria, Ph.D., SSTR06-1, published an article in the November-December 2007 issue of Australian Journal of International Affairs entitled "Fighting the Taliban: Pakistan at War with Itself."

Indonesia

Colonel (Ret) Soemardan, EC98-1, is now working with the oil and gas industry in an offshore operation. He is happy to remain connected with APCSS over the past 10 years and we are grateful that he is still connected to the alumni network.

Mr. Riefqi Muna, EC99-2, is now working at the Center for Political Studies, Indonesia Institute of Science.

Adrian R. Wattimena, EC02-3 and CSRT06-3, was re-assigned as Planning and Budgeting Officer in AF Special Forces HQ.

Maj. Gen. (Ret) Albert Inkiriwang, SE04-1, just concluded a visit to France, Holland, Turkey, Greece and Bulgaria. The purpose of the visit was to discuss the possibility for cooperation between Lemhannas RI (National Resilience Institute) with host country institutes.

Hery Heryadi, EC04-1, is now Assistant to Chief of General Staff for Intelligence at Indonesia Armed Forces HQ in Jakarta.

LTC Dwi Purwiyanto, CSRT06-1, attended a conference in Cambodia entitled "South East Asia Regional

Conference in Counter Terrorism.

Japan

Hiroaki Ichiba, EC05-2, has been working as a Second Secretary at the Embassy of Japan in Washington D.C.

Capt Gojiro Watanabe, EC01-2, will be the Commanding Officer, Maizuru Air Support Squadron. He is preparing to establish a new helicopter squadron—HS23.

Mr. Kentaro Hatakeyama, EC05-2, is Second Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Vietnam.

Laos

Singthong Mitsouphon, EC02-2, after serving as deputy military and air attaché to China for three years, he is now Director of Asia-Pacific Division.

Mr. Bounheuang Songnavong, EC03-1, is Minister-Counselor & Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Laos in France.

Sharifuddin ABD Ghani, EC06-3, has been selected to command the elite force of Royal Malaysia Police called Unit Tindak Khas (Special Action Unit).

Malaysia

Maj. Gen. Dato Mokhtar Bin Perman, EC 96-1, as Commander, TRADOC, Malaysian Army, visited the Philippines on 27-30 April 2008. He met with **Brig Gen Carlos B Holganza** (Philippines), CSRT 05-2, Commander TRADOC. **Col. Nicolas D. Ojeda Jr.** (Philippines), EC 06-2, Deputy Commander, TRADOC was the designated officer in attendance of Maj. Gen. Mokhtar.

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Alumni Retirements

Bangladesh

Air Commodore Syed Zilani Mahabubur Rahman, EC05-2, retired from the Air Force after a record 37 years of Military service.



Brig. Gen. Syed Mawla, EC06-1, retired from the Bangladesh Army and he has joined a private telephone company as Adviser of Regulatory Affairs, Admin and Human Resources.

India

Commodore Vengalil Venu-gopal, EC06-2, retired from the Navy and is now negotiating various international projects as a civilian.

New Zealand

Air Commodore Terry M. Gardiner, SEC04-1, retired from the New Zealand Defence Force.

Singapore

LTC Loke Tai Chuen, EC01-1, retired from the military and is now working on the General Staff Inspectorate, Singapore Armed Forces.



Brig. Gen. Bernard Tan, SEC03-2, retired from the military and is working in the financial sector.

Sri Lanka

Maj. Gen. Y. Sunil A. De Silva, EC04-2, retired from the Sri Lankan Army.



Taiwan Captain Hung-I Kuan, EC03-3, retired from the ROC Navy and lives in Taipei with his family.

Thailand

Ms. Araya Suraprasert, CCM08-1, is retiring from her job in the Port Authority.

United States

Margaret Ann Linn, EC99-1, retired from the Department of State.

Russell Takara, EC00-2, retired from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and accepted a position with the City of Honolulu.

Col. Robert F. Ravelo, EC00-3, retired from the Air Force. His last position was U.S. Pacific Command Liaison Officer to U.S. Northern Command and NORAD. He is residing in Florida.

Retired Navy **Capt. Jeremy Morris**, EC01-1, retired from

government service as GS-14 and is living in Oceanside, Calif.

Dr. Diep N. Duong, EC03-3, retired from the U.S. Air Force as a lieutenant colonel and is now working as Program Manager for the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief office in the U.S. Embassy, Hanoi.

COL Dave Scarbalis, EC04-3, has recently retired after more than 27-years service in

the U.S. Army. He is located in the Washington D.C. area and works for SI International, an Information Technology company.

LTC Brian Eng, former APCSS Alumni Chief, retired from the U.S. military on May 23, 2008.

Abdul Halim Saad, EC99-2, heads a training outfit, the Country Risk Consultancy, which is conducting training programs for the Kuwaiti business officials.

Colonel (Ret) Ramli H. Nik, EC99-3, is a Fellow for the Centre of Maritime Security and Diplomacy in the Maritime Institute of Malaysia (MIMA). He presented a paper on Threats in the Straits of Malacca during the LIMA International Conference in Langkawi, Malaysia.

Commander Ganesh Navaratnam, EC06-2, graduated from the Malaysian Armed Forces Defence College as the Best Course Participant and was awarded a master's in Social Science (Defence Studies) from the National University of Malaysia. In January 2008, he was appointed as the Commanding Officer of KD SRI Inderapura (LST) (Ex-USS Spartanburg).

Khairul Dzaimie Daud, EC06-03, was transferred back to the HQ of National Security Council of Malaysia (NSC), as Principal Assistant Secretary (Geostrategic) based in Putrajaya (West Malaysia). Previously, he was based in the state of Sabah (East Malaysia or better known as Borneo). His division is planning to organize a seminar on "The direction of U.S Foreign Policy, particularly after the 2008 Presidential Vote." The seminar will be held some time in April this year and they invited an expert from the APCSS to deliver a talk on the subject. In addition, he has been seconded to the Colombo Plan Secretariat, Sri Lanka for a period of two years.

Maldives

Col. Ibrahim Mohamed Didi, EC98-3, is in the National Defence College, India, taking the National Security and Strategy one-year course.

Mr. Shaheed Ibrahim Zaki, EC02-3, returned from Europe and in August will participate in the 54th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in Malaysia.

Lt Col Ahmed Zareer, EC04-1, is serving as the Defence Attaché to the Maldivian High Commission in Sri Lanka.

Marshall Islands

Mr. Biuma J. Samson, EC05-2, is Charge d' Affaires at the interim Embassy of the Republic of the Marshall Islands in Taipei, Taiwan.

Mr. Noda Lojkar, EC07-1, has been re-assigned to the RMI Consulate in Honolulu.

Micronesia

Mr. Ieske Iehsi, EC99-1, is Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs and recently visited Hawaii for a conference.

Mongolia

Lt Col Ganbat Turuu, EC00-1, after serving in Iraq is now working as a Strategic Planner, Combined Planning Group, USCENCOM, MacDill AFB, Tampa, FL.

Mr. Bilegdorj Dash, EC05-2, is Minister/Counselor Embassy of Mongolia in Hanoi. He also serves as the Deputy Chief of Mission. He and **Mr. Ken Hatakeyama** (Japan), EC05-2, joined the Vietnamese APCSS alumni for a reception following an outreach event in Hanoi.

Mr. Avirmed Battur, SEC05-1, is a former Vice Foreign Minister who has now been



Vic Salazar (EC02-3) (2nd from left) visited Mongolia where he met with three APCSS grads: Dr. Mashbat Sarlagtay (EC00-1), Dr. Adiya Tuvshingtugs (EC99-2), and Dr. Badarch Enkhjargal (OR08-02).

appointed Ambassador and is awaiting confirmation on his assignment to Belgium and the European Union.

Nepal

Brig. Gen. Rajendra Shah, EC04-2, is a Brigade Commander in Kathmandu.

Ramesh Chand Thakuri, EC05-2, is in charge of the Police Training Directorate and responsible for monitoring all police training activities within the organization. Recently, he visited Sri Lanka to attend a seminar on International Humanitarian Law organized by the British High Commission. There he met **Maj. Gen. Laksiri Amartunga** and **Brig. Gen. Rajaguru**, both from EC05-2. He also visited Washington D.C. as part of the Institution of Peace to participate in planning for Community Policing in Nepal.

Brig. Gen. Bijaya Kumar Shahi, EC05-3, is commanding an Infantry Brigade that is the No. 2 Brigade of Nepalese Army. He was posted there from Eastern Div HQ where he was Chief of Staff.

Deputy Inspector General Prakash Kunwar, EC06-1, participated as a head of the Nepalese delegation in 1st Bi-annual conference of SAARC Police Chiefs in Islamabad,

Pakistan. This experience provided the opportunity for top-level law enforcement officials to interact and be acquainted with each other's problems.

Dr. Saubhagya Shah, EC06-2, was appointed by Tribhuvan University as the Program Coordinator for the newly established Conflict, Peace and Development Studies program.

Colonel Suresh Sharma, EC06-3, is posted at Army HQ, Kathmandu as Deputy Director of Plans and SD. He reported that he was privileged to attend a MILOPS seminar at Singapore, 13-17Apr 08, sponsored by USPACOM. He was nominated as one of the speakers in the Peacekeeping Operations panel to give a presentation about UNPKO and more about the Nepalese Army. "Finally, I appreciate APCSS from my bottom of my heart for bringing much enlightenment to all fellows (security practitioners) about all core security issues."

Keshav Raj Nepal, CCM08-1, participated in the Ecocity World Summit in San Francisco. He presented a paper on "Culture-Environment Parity in Development Planning: A Way of Ecological Balance in Growing Cities." They addressed potential environmental crisis in city development. Academicians, professionals

and government authorities from more than 61 countries participated in the summit.

New Zealand

Dr. Peter Greener, SSTR06-1, is taking a position as senior lecturer in Defence and Strategic Studies at the NZDF Command and Staff College.

Captain John Tucker, EC06-2, is in a new position as Captain Fleet Support, HMNZ Naval Base Devonport, Auckland, New Zealand.

Pakistan

Gen. Ashfaq Parvez Kayani, EC97-2, was selected for the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College's International Hall of Fame. General Kayani is a 1988 graduate of the Army College, which is at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.. The hall honors those officers of United States allies' militaries who have attained the highest command positions in their national service component or within their nation's armed forces and who have graduatee from the College.

Mr. Ghani Jafar Malik, EC03-3, is working in London as Senior Fellow at the South Asian Strategic Stability Institute (SASSI).

Tahir Hanfi, EC04-1, completed a 12-week British Commonwealth and Foreign Office sponsored Chevening Fellowship program on "Democracy, The Rule of Law & Security" at Centre for Studies in Security and Diplomacy, University of Birmingham, U.K.

Maj. Gen. Athar Abbas, EC04-2 and SE07-2, became Director General Inter-Services Public Relations.

Lt. Col. Muhammad Zahir Malik, CSRT06-1, is attending the Armed Forces War College in Islamabad.

Lt. Col. Zakeer Ahmed Abasi, SSTR06-1, completed his command tenure in the earthquake zone. He has been posted as GSO-I (Analysis) in Joint Staff Headquarters, Rawalpindi.

Col. Zaheer D. Babur, SSTR07-1, completed the Transnational Security Stability and Democracy Course at the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies at NDU, Washington. He is now an alumnus of three U.S. Centers: Marshal Center (Germany), APCSS (Hawaii) and now CHDS (Washington).

Papua New Guinea

Tau C. Ila, EC05-3, is the Military Assistant to the Military Commander.

Peru

Lt. Luis Giacoma, CSRT07-1, attended the Interagency Coordination and Combating Terrorism Course at the Center for Hemispherical Defense Studies (CHDS). He is an external counselor of the Peruvian government in Defense and Intelligence and a professor in the Peruvian Armed Forces (for terrorism, intelligence, and other defense themes) and at five universities. He is also president of the Security Democratic Institute.

Philippines

Ms. Maria Consuelo Ortuoste, EC99-1, is working on her dissertation and part of it is peacekeeping in Timor-Leste. She is particularly interested in learning about the personal experience of peacekeepers in "rebuilding" Timor-Leste. If there are any alumni who have

experience in this area and are willing to share some of this information, please contact her at mortuos@asu.edu. She can provide anonymity. Also, after graduation, she will assume a tenure-track assistant professor position at California State University, East Bay.

Col. Jeffery Delgado, EC01-1, came to Hawaii in April to attend the Mutual Defense Board/ Security Engagement Board Executive Committee Meetings between RP-US.

Mr. Venir T. Cuyco, EC01-2, completed his Master of Laws (LL.M.), with distinction, from the Georgetown University Law Center in Washington and recently passed the New York State bar examinations.

Ms. Rowena Pangilinan, EC03-2, presented a paper in China (ASEAN-China and Philippine-China Trade Relations: Development and Prospects) during the International Conference on ASEAN-China Trade Relations: 15 Years Development and Prospects in Hanoi, Vietnam.

Attorney **Norman Daanoy**, EC04-1 and CCM08-1, is now head of Legal Affairs of the Defense Department.

Mr. Andy Cui, EC04-2, completed one-year studies leading to a master's in Public Management (MPM) through the Lee Kuan Yew Fellowship at the Kennedy School of Government (KSG), Harvard University and the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. He has reassumed his position as a career Assistant Secretary of the Presidential Management Staff (PMS), Office of the President of the Philippines and he is heading the Strategic Monitoring Group.

LTC Ferozaldo Paul T. Regencia, EC04-2, is assigned to a newly created unit in the Armed Forces of the Philippines, the AFP National Development Support Command (AFPNDSC). For the first few months he handled two positions as the U3 and U5. Presently, he is the Assistant Chief of Unified Command Staff for Plans.

Col. Rodrigo T. Diapana, CSRT04-2, reported that he met with **Lt. Col. Sushil Kumar**, Contingent Commander of Nepal. Both are stationed in Haiti and both graduated from CSRT04-2.

Army Brig. Gen. Carlos B. Holganza, CSRT05-2, was appointed Commander, Training and Doctrine Command.

Lt. Col. Eugene Gepte Jr., EC06-1, was posted as the Chief, Project Management Office and Chief, Command Operations Center at the newly created AFP National Development Support Command. He graduated Command & General Staff Course Class 49-07 as the Top Army Officer. His paper entitled "Establishing an AFP Peace Operations Force Structure Under the United Nations Standby Arrangement System (UNSAS)" topped its group panel and was a finalist for the Best Commandant's Paper.

Joeroy Angel Mendoza, EC07-1, is now Chief of the OJ5 Resources Management Division.

Republic of Korea

Commander Eung Soo Park, EC01-3, is now a faculty member of Naval War College in the ROK Navy. He is teaching international security.

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BG Kim, Yong-wha, EC02-2, is the Chief Director, Program Management Division of the Ministry of National Defense, USFK Relocation Office.

Lt Col Young-kwan Ryu, EC05-2, is moving to Director of Operations Plan Division AFOC ROKAF at Osan AB. He also reported that **Col Goo-young Kang**, EC04-3, was promoted to Brigadier General.

Russia

Dr. Vladimir Petrovsky, EC00-1, was elected Chairman of Board, Russian Political Science Association.

Dr. Alexey Maslov, EC04-1, was appointed as the Director, Center for Chinese Strategic studies at the Peoples' Friendship University of Russia.

Dr. Larissa Ruban, EC04-3, celebrated her 50-years Jubilee and she received a golden Diploma and silver medal from the Kremlin Russian Energy Forum. She is working on a new textbook about security and counter terrorism.

Samoa

Aleki Mulitalo, EC05-3, is in Khartoum, Sudan doing induction training heading to Darfur for a UNAMID peacekeeping mission.

Singapore

Gavin Chay, EC01-3, was appointed as Deputy Director, Consular Directorate. Additionally, he recently visited an EC01-3 classmate, **Tshering Gyaltshen Penjor** in Bhutan.

Solomon Islands

Inspector Jack Balaga, EC07-2, has a new role as the Provincial Criminal Investigation Officer for Honiara City, the capital of Solomon Islands.

Sri Lanka

Brig Lalith Daulagala, CS04-1 & EC06-3, attended a course "Managing Defence in the Wider Security Context" conducted by Defence academy of the United Kingdom and Cranfield University sponsored by UK high commission in Nepal. He also had an EC06-3 reunion with other APCSS alumni in Nepal: **SSP Ranjan Koirala**, **Colonel Suresh Sharma** and **Undersecretary Mohan Nath Maskya**.

Ms. Dayani Panagoda, EC04-1, is now the Director, Policy Secretariat for Coordinating the Peace Process. She is also coordinating to establish the Sri Lanka APCSS Alumni Association.

Maj. Gen. Mendaka Samarasinghe, EC04-1, returned to Sri Lanka after graduating from the National Defence College, India. He has been appointed as the Overall Operations Commander of Colombo and Western Province.

Ms. Deepthi Waidyasekera, CSRT06-1, is the Head of the Department of Social Sciences at the National Defence University in Sri Lanka. She recently met APCSS alumnus **LTC (Ret) Victor Salazar** (U.S.), EC02-3, who was visiting Sri Lanka.

Taiwan

Capt Sheng, Chi Lun, EC04-2, is at the War College of NDU, Taiwan, R.O.C.

Corinna Hu, EC06-2, was transferred to Washington D.C. as Executive Officer in the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office.

Thailand

Apirat Sugondhabhirom, EC00-2, is Counselor, Depart-

ment of Information, MOFA. He previously worked for the Thai MFA's Indonesia desk officer at the East Asian Dept. before being enlisted onto the team of the then FM Surakiart Sathirathai, then (at the end of his term) transferred to Dept of Information of the MFA and promoted as counselor.

Ms. Sansanee Sahussarungsi, EC01-1, has transferred from her position as Director of Division of Economic Information, MOFA, Bangkok to her new position as Minster Counselor, Permanent mission of Thailand to the United Nations in New York.

Captain Wilers Smabut, EC01-2, is the Naval Attaché at the Royal Thai Embassy in Manila, Philippines.

Captain Chusak Chupaitoon, EC05-1, attended a conference held by the University of Mississippi; the topic was "International Cooperation in the War against Terror in the Asia-Pacific Region with a Special Emphasis on the Malacca Strait." After EC 05-1, he took the position in the section of Strategic Studies, RTN Center for Naval Strategic Studies.

Timor Leste

Loro Horta, EC04-3, wrote a RSIS commentary entitled "The changing nature of Chinese business in Africa: The case of Cape Verde." According to a synopsis: "many tend to associate China's presence in Africa with a frenetic search for natural resources such as oil and gas. Chinese state companies are usually singled out for criticism in the West due to their links with despotic African regimes all for the sake of profit. The nature of Chinese business in Africa is however becoming more complex."

Tonga

Siamelie Latu, EC01-1 and CSRT08-1, met with Dr. Oehlert and Devonn Wood recently to help them coordinate arrangements for the upcoming South Pacific Island Nation Security Workshop.

United States

Mr. Anthony Kolankiewicz, EC98-2, returned from an assignment in Moscow and is currently studying Polish in preparation for an assignment in Warsaw in September 2008.

Richard Pruett, EC00-2, has been selected as the next Deputy Chief of Mission at the

U.S. Embassy in Suva where his responsibilities will cover Kiribati, Nauru, Tonga, and Tuvalu, as well as Fiji. He and his friend and colleague, **Mohner Esiel** (Micronesia) EC00-2, have been working closely together in Pohnpei. They were co-chairs of the Guam Opportunities Committee, which is helping Micronesia position itself in order to meet future workforce needs in Guam.

Captain Michael Maddox (U.S. Navy), EC01-1, recently arrived in Iraq and is working as the Multinational Forces West Surgeon.

Mr. Brian Woo, EC01-1, is now Political Advisor to U.S. Air Forces Pacific.

Col. (Ret) John Bordwell, EC01-3, has taken a job as a DoD civilian and he is responsible for the military attaches in the Asia-Pacific region.

Navy Captain Star Corum, EC01-3, is assigned to US NORAD/NORTHCOM in Colorado Springs as the Command Center Director - Maritime Homeland Security and Disaster Assistance for Civil Authorities. He spent a tour in Afghanistan, Iraq and Kuwait as the Commander of a Naval Coastal Warfare Group and Mobile Security Squadron. He also served as Command Center Director at U.S. Pacific Fleet in Hawaii.

Lt.Col. (Ret) Victor Salazar, EC02-3, visited Mongolia from last spring with Olive Branch International to conduct some training for counselors that will assist returning soldiers from Iraq and Afghanistan.

Col. Randy Reynolds, EC03-1 and CSRT05-1, leads the U.S. Air Force's multispecialty referral center where aircrew

with complex medical problems are evaluated for fitness to fly.

Anne Sylvester, CSRT04-1, has been appointed by Governor Lingle to the Board of Hawaii Strategic Development Corp (HSDC), and has been elected by HSDC's Board as its ex officio representative on the Board of High Technology Development Corp. She is currently an attorney at Alston Hunt Floyd & Ing, Honolulu.

Taylor Scott, EC05-1, met with his fellow APCSS classmate, Joint Secretary **Sanjiv Arora** (India), EC05-1, in Washington D.C. Mr. Arora was traveling with an Indian delegation. Sanjiv will be taking a posting at the Indian Consulate in Houston this fall.

Tiffani Donahue, JEC05-1, left the Air Force and is working as a management consultant for IBM.

Lt. Cmdr. Scott Kim, JEC05-1, reported that he and his wife Soo have a new addition to the family. Elliot Joseph was born on 4/15 at Yongsan's 121st General Hospital in Korea.

Mr. Alan Taylor, EC05-2, is now working on international Human Resources issues for ITT, based in Colorado Springs. He will have fairly frequent travel to the Middle East and other destinations in Asia in the near future.

Maj. (Ret) John Lynch, CSRT05-1, JEC04-1, and SSTR06-1, has taken a position with the USMC Training and Education Command supporting III MEF in Okinawa.

Maj. Jim Meyer, CSRT05-2, is the Customs & Border control chief at Honolulu airport. He earned a certificate of ap-



Col. Patrick Reardon, EC01-3, escorted Brig Gen 'Uta'Atu, (Tonga), SEC05-3, the Chief of Defence from Tonga to the GPOI Peacekeeping Exercise held in Bangladesh. On the return route they stopped in Singapore and met with some other APCSS Alumni. Pictured above: Harry Lai (EC01-3), Col. Reardon, Brig. Gen. 'Uta'Aut, and Col. and Mrs. Chua Wee Phone who is a Singaporean Reserve Officer.



Pat also connected with fellow EC01-3 classmate **Gavin Chay** (Singapore).

preciation of his outstanding service to APCSS in assisting Fellows through Customs and Immigration when arriving to attend APCSS courses.

Mr. Paul Kreutzer, JEC05-3, is working in the office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization, Civilian response mechanisms. He and other members of his class held a mini reunion in Washington D.C. for their visiting Aussie classmate, Cameron Darragh.

Maj. Van Thai, JEC05-3, was selected as the AFRICOM Aide-de-Camp to Ambassador Yates, the Deputy to the Commander for Civil-Military Activities.

Lt. Col. Newman Yang, JEC06-1, met the Nepalese SOF Commander, **BG Bikash Bikram Shah**, EC03-3, this week while he was in Tampa for a USSOCOM conference.

Lt. Col. Jonathan K. Graff Jr., SSTR06-1, now commands a training support battalion at Ft. Bragg. Part of his job is to train the U.S. provincial reconstruction teams that deploy to Afghanistan.

Lt. Col. Eric Udouj, SSTR06-2, transferred from the 322 Civil Affairs Brigade to become the operations officer of the 7th PSYOP Group at Moffett Field, CA.

Lt. Col. Ronald Domingue, EC06-3 assumed his post as the Marine Attaché in Jakarta. He met with the Commander of Indonesian Marine Corps Brig. Gen. Djunaidi Djahri where the Indonesian and American Marine officers shared their knowledge on the development of current military technologies.

Sri Lanka Alumns in China

CS06-3 alum Cmdr. Dhammika Dias (*right*) is in China attending the Naval University of Engineering. While visiting the Naval Command College in Nanjing, where he did his staff course in 2003/04, he met up with Rear Admiral Susith Weerasekara (EC06-3) who is was attending the National Defence University in Beijing.



Alumni News
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Lt. Col. (Sel) Bryan Greenstein (JEC07-1/CCM08-1)

and his wife recently celebrated the birth of their son, Connor.



Captain Justin Gorkowski, CCM08-1, wrote an article for the Small Wars Journal entitled "Iraqi Non-Lethal Contributions to the Counterinsurgency." He is attending the Naval Postgraduate School for Joint Information Operations.

Vietnam

Dr. Dinh Nho Hong, EC97-2, completed tours as Defence Attaché of Vietnam in Russia and Bulgaria, and he is now in Vietnam, as an Expert of Research Department.

Ambassador Tran Hai Hau, EC00-2, completed his duty as Ambassador of Vietnam to New Zealand after 4.5 years and is now working for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Hanoi.

Senior Col. Tran Binh Dinh, EC04-2, is now editor-in-chief of Vietnam's Military Art.

Dr. Ta Minh Tuan, EC06-3, is Deputy Director, Center for Regional and Foreign Policy Studies, Institute of Strategic Studies, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam.

Colonel Vu Dinh Oanh, SSTR07-1, is Deputy Dean of the Security Academy (Hanoi).

Alumni Association Scrapbook

Send us your photos! Is your alumni association having a special event? Please send us photos so we can include them in our Alumni Association Scrapbook.



Hong Kong Alumni Association is led by Superintendent Yam-Yung(Frank) Kwok, Officer Commanding Special Duties Unit



Vietnamese Alumni Association is led by Ambassador Pham Sanh Chau, Director General of Cultural Diplomacy, MOFA

Russian Alumni Association News

Dr. Vladimir Petrovsky, EC00-1, reported that the Russian APCSS Alumni convened to formally establish the Russian APCSS Alumni Association. Previously, there had only been a Joint Russian Alumni Association between Marshall Center and APCSS alumni. This new gather-

ing brought together military, academic and civil equivalent APCSS Alumni, to discuss issues of Asian Pacific Security, Russian foreign and security policy, Russian-American security cooperation, etc. The agenda of the first Alumni session was devoted to the future possible visit of the APCSS di-

rector to Russia. It also included a presentation about Professor Petrovsky's new book, "From Empire to the Open World: On Russia's Foreign Policy at a Period of Transition." The session was chaired by **Dr. Vyacheslav Amirov**, EC04-1, who was elected the Alumni Association Coordinator.



More than 40 alumni attended an inaugural session of the Cambodia Alumni Association. Also attending was APCSS Foundation member Mr. Warren Luke (center, next to Gen. Neang Phat, SEC05-3)



Mongolia Alumni Association is led by Colonel Adiya Tuvshintugs, Deputy Director, Institute for Strategic Studies



Indonesia Alumni Association is led by Air Vice Marshal (Ret) Koesnadi Kardi



Thailand Alumni Association is led by Senator Kasemsak Plooksawat

Alumni Associations

- Afghanistan- *new*
- American Samoa- *new*
- Australia- *new*
- Bangladesh
- Bhutan
- Cambodia *
- Canada
- Chile
- Comoros - *new*
- Cook Islands - *new*
- Fiji
- Guam
- Hong Kong - *new*
- India - *new*
- Indonesia
- Japan *new*
- Madagascar **
- Malaysia
- Maldives - *new*
- Marshall Islands
- Micronesia
- Mongolia
- Nepal
- Pakistan
- Palau
- Papua New Guinea
- Peru
- Philippines
- Rep. of Korea
- Russia
- Solomon Islands - *new*
- Sri Lanka - *new*
- Thailand
- Vanuatu
- Vietnam
- United States (Hawaii & DC)

Pending Associations
Brunei, Kenya, Tonga and Tuvalu

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

Behind the Scenes



APCSS Library team: David Coleman, Chief of Library Services Tina Grice, Tami Rosado and Gaye Yoshikawa.

The APCSS Library is primarily focused on the study of security related issues among the defense forces and their civilian equivalents the Asia-Pacific region. The library's holdings include material relating to national and international defense, regional security concerns, terrorism, counterterrorism, globalization and peace-keeping.

The library maintains a collection of an estimated 3,000 books, publications, reports and conference proceedings, 130 print and 95 online journal subscriptions. The primary focus of the collection is regional security, political, economic and social concerns included in the College of Security Studies curriculum.

One of the benefits of being an alumni is continued access to the library's resources. Alumni can access various bibliographies, news links, databases and information networks via our website at www.apcss.org or via apcsslink.org.

"We enjoy hearing from the alumni," says Tina Grice. "We encourage them to utilize our resources and continue the APCSS tradition of life long learning."



Fellows receiving a Library orientation

PACAF International Health Specialists Team with APCSS



Dr. John Oh discusses health security issues with members of TSC08-2.

-Lt Col John Oh, PACAF International Health Air Force News Service

Five years ago, a mysterious and fatal respiratory illness spread throughout Asia. An increasingly worried public feared going outside. Economies contracted in the wake of decreased tourism and loss of consumer confidence. Scientists worldwide worked around the clock to discover the cause of the illness.

Lt. Col. (Dr.) John Oh (EC07-2), PACAF International Health Specialist (IHS), drew on the world's experience with SARS to illustrate threats to global health security during a recent briefing for the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies' Transnational Security Cooperation course for U.S. and foreign senior military and civilian leaders.

Many in the USAF Medical Service know of the IHS program through its work organizing humanitarian as-

sistance missions. But PACAF IHS' close collaboration with APCSS illustrates another role for IHS: that of subject matter expert in the emerging field of global health security studies.

In addition to briefing senior executives, the PACAF IHS team has regularly taught health security at APCSS' Advanced Security Cooperation (ASC) course for mid-career security practitioners, as well as participated as fellows in this six-week course. "Our relationship with APCSS is an excellent forum to network with current and future senior-level leaders in the Asia-Pacific region and educate them on the impact of health on national and global security," said Col. John Cinco, Chief, PACAF International Health Division who is also adjunct professor at APCSS.

Read the full APCSS-PACAF partnership article online at www.apcss.org or on apcsslink.org.

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Trying to bring relief to Burma after Cyclone Nargis

APCSS Professor Miemie Winn Byrd was part of the U.S. PACOM team, Joint Task Force-Caring Response (JTF-CR), delivering supplies to Burma after Cyclone Nargis in May 2008. Byrd, who was born in Burma, was initially deployed to Thailand to assist the JTF-CR as the subject matter expert from APCSS. She was later activated in her army reserve capacity as the Special Advisor to the JTF-CR Com-

mander, Lt. Gen. John Goodman, and the staff. Lt. Col. Byrd lent her expertise on Burmese culture and language to the JTF-CR. She provided insight into the current Burma's geopolitical environment, Burma-U.S./ASEAN relations, and Burmese leadership decision making processes during the relief efforts.



APCSS Professor Miemie Byrd put on her reserve uniform for Cyclone Nargis relief efforts.

*Please don't forget to contact the Outreach and Alumni Coordination Branch at
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if you have been promoted, changed job positions, or moved.*

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