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COMMANDER JACQUELINE JADE SWINTON

Royal Australian Navy

United States Indo Pacific Command

Deputy Chief of National Security Law

CMDR Swinton obtained her Degree of Law and Legal Practice from Flinders University in South Australia in 2005. Wanting to serve her country, CMDR Swinton joined the Royal Australian Navy as a full-time Legal Officer in 2007.

She has enjoyed a diverse legal career, working a span of different roles across

Australia and overseas in the tactical, operational and strategic levels. CMDR Swinton predominantly provides legal advice on administrative, discipline and operational law matters, and enjoys working in the joint and coalition environments. She is a passionate advocate of International Law, Human Rights, and Gender, Peace and Security. Highlight postings for CMDR Swinton include serving as the Senior Legal Advisor to the Chief of Navy, where she received a Chief of Navy Gold Commendation and as the Chief of Staff to the Director General Military Legal Service.

CMDR Swinton has enjoyed an active operational career undertaking deployments as Legal Advisor and Gender Advisor in SLIPPER (2012) Australia's contribution to the war in Afghanistan; RESOLUTE (2014) Australia's Border Security operations; FIJI ASSIST (2016) the Humanitarian Aid and Disaster Relief following Tropical Cyclone Winston; and MANITOU as part of Combined Task Force 150 (2017), the counter-terrorism operation against drugs/weapons smuggling.

CMDR Swinton has broadened her Defence experience outside the Legal realm, undertaking the demanding role of Staff Officer to Chief of the Defence Force in 2018 and undertaking the Joint Command and Staff College Program in Toronto, Canada. She has acquired two Masters Degrees; Military Law from the Australian National University, and Defence Studies from the Royal Military College Canada.

A passionate feminist, CMDR Swinton is proud of her achievements in the Gender space, being one of the first ADF Operational Gender Advisors during OPERATION FIJI ASSIST. Her role involved operationalising the Women, Peace and Security agenda arising from UN Security Council Resolution 1325 and the Australian Government's National Action Plan, of which Defence holds a broad remit.

CMDR Swinton is currently embedded within the US Indo-Pacific Command Judge Advocate General team, as the Deputy Chief of National Security Law, and has a remit for International Humanitarian Law, Counter-Lawfare and Multilateral legal engagement.

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CAPTAIN DUSTIN WALLACE

United States Indo-Pacific Command

Staff Judge Advocate

Captain Dustin E. Wallace is currently the Staff Judge Advocate for United States Indo-Pacific Command. Captain Wallace earned a juris doctorate degree from the University of Tulsa in 2000 and a master of laws degree from Columbia University in 2011. Captain Wallace received his commission in 1998 and entered the JAG Corps in 2000 via the Student Program.

In February 2001, Captain Wallace reported to Naval Legal Service Office (NLSO) Central in Pensacola, FL. While at NLSO Central, he served as Defense Department Head, Senior Defense Counsel and Legal Assistance Attorney. In August 2003, Captain Wallace reported to USS Harry S. Truman, where he served as Assistant Command Judge Advocate.

In August 2005, Captain Wallace reported to Naval Justice School in Newport, RI, where he served as the International Law Division Officer until October 2006. In October 2006, he reported to Task Force 134 in Baghdad, Iraq. While at Task Force 134, Captain Wallace served as the Senior Attorney for the greater Baghdad area at the Central Criminal Court of Iraq Liaison Office (CCCI). In May 2007, Captain Wallace returned to the Naval Justice School, where he assumed the duties as the Operational Law Division Officer and was responsible for the Iraq Pre-Deployment Legal Training Course.

From June 2008 until July 2010, Captain Wallace served as the Deputy Fleet Judge Advocate for Commander, U.S. Seventh Fleet embarked aboard USS Blue Ridge in Yokosuka, Japan. After his tour at Seventh Fleet, Captain Wallace attended Columbia University, where he earned his master of laws in international law.

In July 2011, Captain Wallace became the Senior Military Advisor to the Afghan National Army Legal School in Kabul, Afghanistan. As the Senior Military Advisor, Captain Wallace served as the Chief of Afghan National Army Legal Training and the Officer-in-Charge of the Coalition Forces Legal School Advisor Team. Captain Wallace re-deployed in May 2012 and reported to Navy Personnel Command as the LT/LDO (Law) Detailer in June 2012, where he served until June 2014. From June 2014 until June 2015, Captain Wallace served as Executive Assistant to the Deputy Judge Advocate General and Commander, Naval Legal Service Command. From July 2015 until June 2017, Captain Wallace served as the Executive Officer of Region Legal Service Office Southwest in San Diego, CA. From July 2017 until July 2019, Captain Wallace served as Legal Counsel to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations. Captain Wallace then served as the Force/Fleet Judge Advocate for U.S. Naval Forces Central Command/U.S. Fifth Fleet from August 2019 until July 2021. Finally, Captain Wallace served as the Fleet Judge Advocate for U.S. Pacific Fleet from July 2021 until April 2024.

Captain Wallace is entitled to wear the Legion of Merit (3), Meritorious Service Medal (5), Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (3), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, and various other miscellaneous awards and decorations.

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AMBASSADOR MARYKAY LOSS CARLSON

United States Ambassador Extraordinary and
Plenipotentiary to the Republic of the Philippines

Ambassador MaryKay Loss Carlson was nominated by President Biden on February 4, 2022, as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of the Philippines. She was confirmed by the Senate on May 5, 2022. Ambassador Carlson is a career member of the Senior Foreign Service with the rank of Minister-Counselor.

She previously served as the Deputy Chief of Mission and Chargé d'affaires at the U.S. Embassy in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Prior to her assignment to Argentina, she served as Deputy Chief of Mission and Chargé d'affaires in New Delhi, India, and held the position of Principal Deputy Executive Secretary for the Secretary of State in Washington, D.C. A Foreign Service officer since 1985, she has served at U.S. Diplomatic Missions in China (twice), Ukraine, Hong Kong, Mozambique, Kenya, and the Dominican Republic. Her domestic assignments include Director of the Secretary's Executive Secretariat Staff and Deputy Director of Korean Affairs.

A native of Little Rock, Arkansas, Ambassador Carlson received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Spanish and International Studies from Rhodes College in Memphis, Tennessee. She holds Master's Degrees from Georgetown University (International Relations) and the National War College (National Security Studies). She is married to retired Foreign Service officer Aubrey Carlson, and they have two daughters.

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GILBERT C. TEODORO JR.

Republic of the Philippines

Secretary of National Defense

Gilberto C. Teodoro, Jr., is the Secretary of National Defense under the Marcos Jr. administration since 2023. He previously served in the same post from 2007 to 2009 under President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo. He has extensive experience in both the private and the public sector. He was Secretary of National Defense, a three-term Member of Congress, and a youth leader in his teens.

He practiced law and became a corporate executive. He was a key figure in the Nationalist People's Coalition and then became Chairman and Presidential Candidate of the Lakas-

Kampi-CMD Coaliton Party in the 2010 Philippine Presidential Elections.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

1980-1986 Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Tarlac

1980-1986 President, Kabataang Barangay of Central Luzon

1984 Graduated from De La Salle University - Manila with a degree in BS Commerce, Major in Financial Institutions

1989 Gibo finished Law at the University of the Philippines 1st Place, 1989 Philippine Bar Examinations

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1989 He finished Masters of Law at Harvard University and passed the New York State Bar Examination

1989 - 1996 Became an 'Associate Attorney' at Estelito Mendoza Law Office, a law firm owned by Estelito P. Mendoza, former Solicitor General of the Philippines.

2001 Leadership Awardee | Seminar Academic Excellence Awardee during his time at the Air Command and Staff College, Air Education and Training Command Philippine Air Force Command and Staff Course

2003 He attended the Joint and Combined Staff Officers Course, Class Nr 1, JCSC in Camp Aguinaldo and was honored as a Leadership Awardee

1998 - 2007 Gibo Teodoro served as the congressman of the 1st District of Tarlac for 3 consecutive terms. He authored 106 bills.

2007 Appointed as Secretary of the Department of National Defense during President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo's term. Gibo Teodoro was the youngest defense secretary to hold the position at 43 years old.

2008 While serving as the Secretary of Defense, Gibo Teodoro also became the Chairman of the National Disaster Coordinating Council (NDCC).

2009 He finished Doctor of Law at West Negros University.

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GENERAL ROMEO S BRAWNER JR.

Armed Forces of the Philippines
Chief of Staff

Gen Romeo S Brawner Jr. took the helm of the Armed Forces of the Philippines as its Chief of Staff on July 21, 2023.

He is also the concurrent 65th Commanding General of the Philippine Army since 10 December 2021.

He entered the Philippine Military Academy in 1985 and earned his Bachelor of Science Degree, graduating salutatorian as a proud member of the Philippine Military Academy "Makatao" Class of 1989. During his senior year in the Academy, he led as the "Baron" or the Regiment Commander of the Cadet Corps.

He exemplified the highest levels of excellence in his military schoolings. In particular, he excelled in the Special Forces Operations Course, Intelligence Officer Course, and the AFP Comptrollership Course, graduating number (1) in his class. In 2011, GEN Brawner served as the representative of the Philippines during the United States Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) on Cyber Security. He also attended the Advance Security Cooperation Course at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies in Honolulu, Hawaii. In 2022, he was invited as a speaker during the symposium on International Law Applicable to Urban Siege Warfare at the Harvard Law School in Boston, Massachusetts.

He also demonstrated the finest ideals of servant-leadership in his previous designations such as Company Commander of the 6th Special Forces Company; Battalion Commander of the 2nd Special Forces Battalion; Operations Officer of the Special Forces Regiment (Airborne); Chief of Staff of the 6th Infantry "Kampilan" Division; Chief, Public Affairs of the Philippine Army; Spokesperson of the Armed Forces of the Philippines; Commander of the Civil-Military Operations Regiment; and Brigade Commander of the 103rd Infantry Brigade during the aftermath of the Marawi Siege in 2017. GEN Brawner also served as the Commandant of the Cadets in the Philippine Military Academy and Commander of the 4th Infantry "Diamond" Division.

GEN Brawner has acquired three (3) Master's Degrees — Master's in Information Management from the Ateneo de Manila Graduate School of Business; Master's in Business Administration from the Asian Institute of Technology in Thailand and from the European School of Management, Oxford, United Kingdom, and Master's in Strategic Studies from the United States Army War College (USAWC).

He was among those awarded in The Outstanding Philippine Soldiers (TOPS) in 2013 by the Metrobank Foundation and Rotary Club of Makati. In 2018, he was a recipient of the Award for Continuing Excellence in Service (ACES) conferred by the Metrobank Foundation.

In 2019, GEN Brawner is the recipient of several awards, including the Lapu-Lapu Award for his valuable contributions in the neutralization of Abu Dar, the Outstanding Citizens of Baguio for Professional Service for epitomizing the greatest standards of modern-day Filipino soldiery, the Malaysian Armed Forces Order for Valor in recognition of his dedication to bilateral relations between the Philippine Army and the Malaysian Armed Forces, and the U.S. Legion of Merit in recognition of his service as the Commanding General, Philippine Army, particularly in ensuring that the Philippine Army remains trained, ready, and postured for all missions.

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ADMIRAL SAMUEL PAPARO

United States Indo-Pacific Command
Commander

Adm. Sam Paparo, a native of Morton, Pennsylvania, graduated from Villanova University and was commissioned in 1987. He is the son of a former enlisted Marine and the grandson of a World War II enlisted Sailor. He has earned a Master of Arts in International Studies from Old Dominion University and a Master of Science in Systems Analysis from the Naval Postgraduate School. A U.S. Naval Aviator, he is a TOPGUN graduate and has flown over 6,000 hours in the F-14, F-15 and F/A-18 and 1,100 carrier landings.

Operational command tours at sea include Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 195 in the Forward Deployed Naval Forces, Yokosuka, Japan, deploying in Kitty Hawk Strike Group; Commander, Carrier Air Wing 7, embarked in Dwight D. Eisenhower Strike Group and Commander, Carrier Strike Group Ten. On the ground, he commanded Provincial Reconstruction Team, Nuristan Province, Afghanistan, with the 3rd Brigade, 10th Mountain Division and the 173rd Airborne Brigade. Other operational assignments at sea include Fighter Squadron (VF) 14, flying the F-14 Tomcat with USS John F. Kennedy and USS Dwight D. Eisenhower Strike Groups, and VFA-15, flying the F/A-18 Hornet with USS Theodore Roosevelt and USS Enterprise Strike Groups. He served also on exchange duty with the U.S. Air Force flying the F-15C Eagle with the 71st Fighter Squadron, deploying multiple times to Saudi Arabia and Keflavik, Iceland. In joint operational service, he was Battle Director at the Combined Air and Space Operations Center, Al Udeid, Qatar.

Shore assignments include the staff of Commander, Naval Air Forces, as F/A-18 training, readiness and requirements officer. He served as commanding officer of VFA-106 and served on the Chief of Naval Operations staff as OPNAV N80 branch head. He served as executive assistant to Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command, and then to the 31st Chief of Naval Operations.

He was Director of Operations, J3, U.S. Central Command. He was Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command/U.S. 5th Fleet/Combined Maritime Forces. His most recent assignment was Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet from May 2021 to April 2024.

Paparo assumed duties as Commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command in May 2024. He is the 27th commander of the nation's oldest and largest combatant command. USINDOPACOM includes 380,000 Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Airmen, Guardians, Coast Guardsmen and Department of Defense civilians and is responsible for all U.S. military activities in the Indo-Pacific, covering 36 nations, 14 time zones, and 60 percent of the world's population.

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CG ADMIRAL RONNIE GIL LATORILLA GAVAN

Philippine Coast Guard
Commandant

Coast Guard Admiral Ronnie Gil Latorilla Gavan is a strategic, output-oriented, and people-person leader.

He is a graduate of the Philippine Military Academy "Maalab" Class of 1993. Admiral Gavan is also a holder of Master of Maritime Studies by Research Degree focusing on Philippine Maritime Border Security and the Law of the Sea from the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security, Faculty of Law, University of Wollongong, Australia, and also studied National Security at the National Defense College of the Philippines, as well as Leadership and Governance at Harvard University Kennedy School of Government, USA.

His leadership was honed by his vast experience as Commander of various Coast Guard Districts and PCG major units and as Commanding Officer of PCG capital ships and BFAR vessels.

At the height of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Admiral Gavan led the very first PCG unit to assist arriving Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) and became the focal person and orchestrator of the PCG composite contingent to the Office of the President's "Hatid Tulong Initiative" for the Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs). He was also the first PCG Task Force Kalinga Commander who made the Task Force as the PCG's platform for Public-Private Partnership on Humanitarian and Disaster Response Operations.

Admiral Gavan also led the PCG Task Force Pagsasanay where the deployment of female radio operators or "Angels of the Sea" aboard PCG vessels to serve as voices of peace and rules-based order at sea was realized.

As a testament of all his accomplishments and significant contributions to the country and the Filipino people, Admiral Gavan received numerous medals and awards to include Distinguished Service, the Philippine Military Academy Cavalier Awardee for Coast Guard Operations in 2020, and the PMA Outstanding Achievement Award for having been appointed as the PCG Commandant. He is also the current Chairperson for the ReCAAP ISC Governing Council after being unanimously re-elected on March 2024.

The 30th Commandant of the Philippine Coast Guard is a son of public school teachers from the multicultural coastal town of Maitum, Sarangani Province. He speaks Ilonggo, Cebuano, and Ilocano, and draws strength in the comfort of his life with his wife, Coast Guard Commodore Lysamyra Marie Nonato Gavan, the Chief Nurse, PCG, together with their children Sandeon Mikhail, and Simone Miguel.

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MAJOR GENERAL JIMMY D. LARIDA

Armed Forces of the Philippines

Office of the Chief of Staff

Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations

MGEN LARIDA finished his secondary education at Central Philippine University in Iloilo City before he joined the Philippine Military Academy where he graduated Cum Laude in Bachelor of Science in 1991. While serving in the Armed Forces of the Philippines, he managed to earn a degree in Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering and passed the licensure board examination in 2000. His competence and dedication to duty also

earned him an opportunity to earn his Masters degree in Military Studies at the United States Marine Corps (USMC) University in Quantico, Virginia, USA.

During his military service, MGEN LARIDA completed various career and specialization courses that further enhanced his knowledge and skills as a Marine officer such as: Naval Officers Qualification Course, Naval Command and Staff Course, United States Marine Corps CGSC Class 2011 in Virginia USA, Senior Executive Course on National Security, Marine Basic Airborne Course, Marine Jump Master Course, Naval Intelligence Officers Course, and Strategic Intelligence Course. Likewise, other military trainings that he has taken are as follows: United Nation (UN) Civil-Military Coordination, French Language Course in Port Au Prince, Haiti and HADR Training in Changi Naval Base in Singapore.

He held several important assignments before he was installed in his current positions namely: Platoon Commander and Company Executive Officer of 43rd Marine Company and Company Commander of 3rd Marine Company of Marine Battalion Landing Team 3 in Jolo, Sulu; Physics, Electrical Engineering and Electronics Instructor in Philippine Military Academy; Command Engineer of PMA; Operations and intelligence Officer and Executive Officer of Marine Battalion Landing Team 9 in Patikul, Sulu; Operations Officer of 1st Marine Brigade in Basilan Province; Commanding Officer of Marine Battalion Landing 6 in Indanan, Sulu (adjudged as PMC Best Battalion in 2009; Commander of Jolo Internal Defense Force; Operations Officer of Joint Task Force Comet, Western Mindanao Command; Chief of Staff of Marine Corps Training Center; Commanding Officer of Headquarters Battalion, PMC; Commander of 16th United Nations Philippine Contingent for Haiti; Assistant Chief of Staff for Education and Training, PMC; Chief of Joint and Combined Training Division, J8; Deputy Commander of 1MBde in Marawi City and Sultan Kudarat; Chief of Staff of PMC; Commander of 3rd Marine Brigade; Deputy Commandant, Philippine Marine Corps and Commander of the Joint Task Force, National Capital Region .

MGEN LARIDA has accomplished much specially during his stint as the Commander of the 3rd Marine Brigade. His consistent devotion and loyalty to duty resulted in remarkable and unprecedented results when the 3rd Marine Brigade was recognized as the PMC Best Brigade of the Year in 2021 and 2022. The sustained intelligence and focused military operation resulted in the declaration of Palawan as an INSURGENCY-FREE province. He also ensured that Marine personnel deployed in Kalayaan Island Group in West Philippine Sea are trained and capable to perform their mission.

His colorful military career is capped by several military awards and commendations.

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FIRST ADMIRAL ST FRANDINANTO

Indonesian Maritime Security Agency

Deputy for Law Enforcement

First Admiral TNI Frandinanto, ST, born in Bitung, Indonesia on February 26, 1972, is a prominent figure in the Indonesian Navy, currently serving as the Deputy for Law Enforcement in the Directorate of Data and Information at the Indonesian Maritime Security Agency (BAKAMLA). Frandinanto has built an impressive military career since his graduation from the Indonesian Naval Academy (AAL) in 1993. He has held numerous strategic positions throughout his career, including

commanding roles aboard KRI Yos Sudarso-353 and KRI Cut Nyak Dien-375, as well as key assignments in KOARMATIM and MABESAL.

Since 2022, Frandinanto's career has progressed rapidly. In early 2022, he served as Chief Advisor for Technology and Logistics in the Fleet Command of Armada II while participating in the PPRA LXIII course at the National Resilience Institute of Indonesia. In August 2022, he was promoted to Assistant Chief of Communications and Electronics (SKOMLEK TNI) at the Armed Forces Headquarters. In January 2023, Frandinanto assumed his current role as First Admiral of the Indonesian National Armed Forces, Maritime Security Agency, Deputy for Information, Law, and Cooperation, where he plays a critical role in safeguarding Indonesia's maritime security.

Frandinanto's academic background includes the Regular Education Program at the Indonesian National Armed Forces Staff and Command School, Class 43, completed in 2016, and the PPRA Class 63 at the National Resilience Institute of Indonesia in 2022. His dedication and strategic insight have earned him numerous honors, including the Bintang Yudha Dharma Nararya, Satya Lencana Wira Dharma, Satya Lencana Kesetiaan, and the UN Medal for his contributions in the UNAMSIL mission in Sierra Leone. These achievements underscore his significant contributions to Indonesia's maritime defense and national security strategies.

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COMMODORE AARON NYE

Royal Australian Navy

Head Quarters Joint Operations Command

Chief of Staff

Commodore Nye joined the Navy in 1993, graduating from the Australian Defence Force Academy in 1995. Specialising as a Principal Warfare Officer, he completed sea service in a variety of patrol boats, frigates and destroyers, including an exchange in the Royal New Zealand Navy frigate, HMNZS Te Mana. He commanded the Fremantle-class Patrol Boat HMAS Warrnambool (2006-07); ASSAIL 6, an Armidale-class Patrol Boat crew (2008) and the frigate HMAS Stuart

(2014-15).

Ashore, he has held a variety of key appointments and commands. These include Operations Officer to Commander Maritime Border Command (2009), Staff Officer to Chief Joint Operations (2011), Director Navy International Engagement (2018-19) and most recently, Director Maritime Operations (2020-21). Commodore Nye commanded Recruit Training School (2012-2013) and Sea Training Unit- Major Fleet Units (2016-2017)

He was awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross in the Queen's Birthday Honours 2018 for outstanding achievement in the field of Major Fleet Units Sea Training.

Commodore Nye is a graduate of the Australian Command and Staff College (2010), a distinguished graduate of the United States National War College (2019-20) and is a United States National Defence University Scholar (2020). He holds a Master of Arts in Strategy and Policy with the University of New South Wales, a Master of Maritime Studies with the University of Wollongong, and a Master of Strategic Studies with the National Defence University.

Married to Natalie, they have two adult daughters and two teenage sons. He enjoys a wide range of interests including renovating houses, gardening, skiing, and dabbles in the occasional fly fishing.

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COMMODORE MATTHEW BOWEN

Royal Canadian Navy

United States Indo-Pacific Command

Deputy Director of Operations for International
Operations and Engagement

Commodore Matthew Bowen is a Naval Warfare Officer serving on exchange as the Deputy Director of Operations for International Operations and Engagement, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command (DJ3-IOE)

Before assuming his current duties, Commodore Bowen completed an exchange assignment as the Vice J5 Multinational Partner Integration at United States Cyber Command, which followed his appointment as the Commander of the Royal Canadian Navy's Sea Training Group. Prior to that, he completed postings as J5 Plans at the Canadian Joint Operations Command and as the Commander of Sea Training Atlantic, before which he was privileged to be assigned to command the frigate HMCS TORONTO.

That appointment included a deployment as Commander TF ARTEMIS in the Arabian Sea, where the ship's company earned a U.S. Meritorious Unit Commendation. Other deployments of note include two with Standing NATO naval forces in Europe, two others in the Arabian Sea: Op APOLLO in response to the 9/11 attacks and Op ALTAIR with Combined Task Force 150, along with a year on exchange with the Royal Australian Navy.

A graduate of Royal Roads Military College, and the Canadian Forces College, his Bachelor and Masters Degrees focused on strategy and defence studies. He has served in numerous positions at the operational and strategic level, including both coastal Fleet Staffs, RCN Headquarters, and the Strategic Joint Staff.

He remains grateful for the support of his spouse without whom little of the above would have been possible.

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MARKUS GARLAUSKAS

Scowcroft Center for Strategy and Security

Indo-Pacific Security Initiative

Director

Markus Garlauskas is the director of the Indo-Pacific Security Initiative of the Scowcroft Center for Strategy and Security. He leads this initiative's efforts focused on conflict and nuclear deterrence, United States strategy, and building cooperation with allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific region. He led projects focused on deterrence and defense issues in East Asia as a nonresident senior fellow from August 2020 until assuming his duties as director in January 2023.

Garlauskas served in the US government for nearly twenty years. He was appointed to the Senior National Intelligence Service as the National Intelligence Officer (NIO) for North Korea on the National Intelligence Council from July 2014 to June 2020. As NIO, he led the US intelligence community's strategic analysis on North Korea issues and expanded analytic outreach to non-government experts. He also provided direct analytic support to top-level policy deliberations, including the presidential transition, as well as the Singapore and Hanoi summits with North Korea.

Garlauskas served for nearly twelve years overseas at the headquarters of United Nations Command, Combined Forces Command and US Forces Korea in Seoul. His staff assignments there included chief of the Intelligence Estimates Branch and director of the Strategy Division. For his service in Korea, he received the Joint Civilian Distinguished Service Award, the highest civilian award from the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Garlauskas holds a BA in History from Kent State University. He earned a Master's Degree from Georgetown University's Security Studies graduate program, where he is now an adjunct professor.

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CLEO PASKAL

Foundation for Defense of Democracies

Non-Resident Senior Fellow

Among her other affiliations, Ms. Cleo Paskal is a Non-Resident Senior Fellow for the Indo-Pacific at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies (Washington, D.C), a Fellow with the Conference of Defence Associations Institute (Canada), and is on the International Board of Advisors of the Global Counter-Terrorism Council (India). She has testified before the U.S. Congress, regularly participates in training seminars for the U.S. Military, and has taught at defense colleges in the United States, United Kingdom, India, Canada and Oman.

From 2006 to 2022, she was an Associate Fellow at Chatham House where, among other projects, she was research lead on 'Perspectives on Strategic Shifts in the Indo-Pacific 2019-2024'. She is widely published in the academic and popular press and has written for, among many others, The Diplomat, Defense News, The Telegraph, South China Morning Post, The Australian, Japan Times, The World Today, International Affairs, and is the North America Special Correspondent for The Sunday Guardian (India) newspaper.

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COLONEL GRANT NEWSHAM

United States Marine Corps (Ret.)

Senior Fellow with the Center for Security Policy

Col. Grant Newsham is a retired U.S. Marine officer with decades of experience in the Indo-Pacific – to include serving as reserve head of intelligence for Marine Forces Pacific. He was the first Marine advisor to the Japan Self-Defense Force and helped create Japan's amphibious force.

He has spent many years working on U.S. military operations and strategy in the Pacific Islands. He has also lectured and written on the importance of the U.S. Freely Associated States and the U.S. Pacific Territories, as well as China's

objectives, military activities and political warfare in the region.

Col. Newsham is also a former U.S. Foreign Service Officer with work covering a number of regions – including East and South Asia – and specializing in insurgency, counter-insurgency, and commercial matters. He lived in Taiwan for 2019 while researching and drafting a proposal for improving Taiwan's defense capabilities.

He is also an attorney with experience in international trade and public international law, lived in Tokyo for over 20 years and worked as an executive at Morgan Stanley Japan and Motorola Japan.

Col. Newsham speaks regularly at a variety of forums on Asian defense, economic, and political matters, and is widely published. This includes the case study on Chinese political warfare in the Freely Associated States and U.S. Pacific Territories in the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments' 2019 report "Winning Without Fighting". His 2023 book "When China Attacks: A Warning to America" is an Amazon best seller.

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Senior Policy Advisor

David M. Andrews is a Senior Policy Advisor in the Policy Research and Engagement team at the Australian National University's National Security College (NSC). In this role he is responsible for mobilising NSC's research and resident expertise to influence and inform current public policy debates. Amongst his regular contributions to NSC's research outputs, he has led on research projects funded by the Australian Department of Home Affairs and Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and is a producer and host of the National Security Podcast.

Before commencing at NSC in 2022, David lived for four years in Jordan and Kuwait, and previously held multiple roles in the Australian Department of Defence, principally in military strategy, strategic policy, and export control.

His research interests include Australian defence and foreign policy, the strategies of small and middle powers, and instruments of security cooperation (alliances, security pacts, multilateral institutions, international organisations etc.) including ANZUS, the Quad, AUKUS, and Five Eyes. He has been published widely on these topics, including by the Australian Strategic Policy Institute, Lowy Institute, Australian Institute of International Affairs, ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute, the Canberra Times, and in the Australian Naval Review, along with frequent media engagements with Australian and international outlets.

He is currently undertaking a Doctor of Philosophy in International Relations at La Trobe University, which examines the factors that contribute to the evolution, stagnation, or collapse of multilateral security organisations; notably the Central Treaty Organisation, Southeast Asia Treaty Organisation, Anglo-Malaysian Defence Agreement, and Five Power Defence Arrangements.

He holds a Master of Arts (Strategic Studies) with Honours from the Australian National University, a Master of Arts (Ancient History) from Macquarie University, and a Bachelor of Social Science (Politics & International Relations) with Honours from the University of New South Wales.

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Jessica Drun is a Taiwan Analyst at the U.S. Department of State. Previously, Jessica was concurrently a Data Scientist Analyst at S&P Global and a Nonresident Fellow with the Atlantic Council's Global China Hub. She has also held positions at SOS International's Center for Intelligence Research and Analysis, the Project 2049 Institute, and the National Bureau of Asian Research.

In her think tank capacities, her work and commentary have been featured in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Guardian, and on CNN. She was a 2021 Center for New American Security Next Generation National Security Fellow and a 2014-15 Boren National Security Fellow and received her MA in Asian Studies from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service. Jessica is fluent in Mandarin Chinese and conversational in Min Nan Chinese.

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CG COMMODORE JAY TRISTAN TARRIELA

Philippine Coast Guard

Deputy Chief of Coast Guard Staff

Commodore Jay Tristan Tarriela is an active commissioned officer of the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), holding the appointment of deputy chief of Coast Guard Staff, Human Resource Management (CG-1) and adviser to the Commandant on Maritime Security Affairs, and as PCG spokesperson on the West Philippine Sea.

Tarriela has completed his Ph.D. degree at the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) under the GRIPS Global Governance (G-cube) Program in Tokyo as a Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) ASEAN Public Policy Leadership scholar.

He attended numerous military and coast guard training, locally and abroad. He holds a graduate degree from the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy Graduate School and a Master of Policy Studies degree from GRIPS and the Japan Coast Guard Academy, where he was part of the first batch of the Maritime Safety and Security Program launched jointly by both institutions in 2016.

He was chosen as part of the inaugural cohort of the 2021 Pacific Forum U.S.-Philippines' Next Generation Leaders' Initiative. Further, he was selected as a fellow of the 2021 East-West Center U.S.-Philippines Alliance Fellowship in Washington, DC, USA.

Tarriela has written opinion-editorial articles published by The Diplomat, The National Interest, Analyzing War, and other leading publications. He is also a visiting professor at the National Defence College of the Philippines, Philippine Public Safety College, and the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy Graduate School.

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REAR ADMIRAL (RET.) KATSUYA YAMAMOTO

Sasakawa Peace Foundation

Program Director and Senior Research Fellow
Security Studies Program

Katsuya “Kats” Yamamoto, Rear Admiral (retired) Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF) joined SPF as a senior research fellow in April 2023.

A native of Kobe, Kats graduated from the Japan National Defense Academy and earned a Master of Policy Studies degree from the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies. He also attended the Maritime Law Enforcement Officer Course at the U.S. Coast Guard Training Center in Yorktown, Virginia; the Command & Staff Course at the JMSDF Staff College; and the Regular Course of the National Institute for Defense Studies (NIDS) and the People's Liberation Army National Defense University in Beijing.

He was a surface warfare officer, serving onboard various destroyers and commanding the JS SHIRAYUKI (DD123). He also worked in a variety of positions including Chief of the International Policy Planning Section at the Joint Staff Office and Director of National Security & Strategic Studies Office in the JMSDF Staff College.

As a military diplomat, Kats served as Defense/Naval Attaché to China and President of the Naval Attaché Corps in Beijing. He later served as Liaison Officer and International Military Professor of the U.S. Naval War College (USNWC) in Rhode Island. Kats enjoyed collaborating with the distinguished faculty members and published many articles in Japanese and English. His last mission of the active duty was as Director of Education at NIDS.

He has been awarded the Ba-Yi Medal from the Ministry of National Defense, PRC, and the Meritorious Service Medal from the U.S. Navy. Kats is a member of the Advisory Board, the Japan-America Society of Rhode Island, is a member of the Board of Directors, JANAFA-Newport, and is an affiliate of China Maritime Studies Institute, USNWC.

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COMMANDER (H) NUWAN HEWAHAKMANAGE

Sri Lanka Navy

Acting Director Marine GIS & Cartography at the Sri Lanka Navy Headquarters

Commander(H) Uchitha Nuwan Hewahakmanage is a qualified Hydrographer and Marine Cartographer in Executive branch officer of the Sri Lanka Navy. He presently performing duties as the Acting Director Marine GIS & Cartography at the Sri Lanka Navy Headquarters, Colombo.

He is proud product of Mahanama College, Colombo presently residing at Maharagama. On successful completion of secondary education, he joined the Sri Lanka Navy on 03rd July 2001 and underwent his basic cadet training at Indian Naval Academy, India and Naval and Maritime Academy, Trincomalee, Sri Lanka and commissioned as an Acting Sub Lieutenant w.e.f. 03rd July 2003. He received his Bachelor's Degree from the Goa University, India in the field of Naval Science in the year 2004. He is IHO Category 'A' & Category 'B' Specialized Hydrographer, trained at the National Institute of Hydrography, India where he secured Master of Science degree in the field of Hydrography in year 2018 from the Goa University, India. He completed his Staff qualification from the Defence Services Command and Staff College in Sri Lanka in 2016 and received Master of Science degrees in Defence & Strategic Studies from the General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University in Sri Lanka in 2017. He is also Marine Cartographic specialist trained at United Kingdom Hydrographic Office qualified in IHO Category 'B' in Marine Cartography.

He has served in various Ships, Craft and Shore Establishments in the Sri Lanka Navy and commanded SLNS Edithara II (Fast Gun Boat), SLNS Ranagaja (landing craft) and 03 Fast Attack Craft. Further, he held key appointment such as Acting Director Marine GIS & Cartography in Navy Hydrography Service, Senior Staff Officer (Operations), Senior Staff Officer (Maritime Surveillance & Hydrography), Instructor at Naval & Maritime Academy, Trincomalee and Flag Lieutenant to Chief of Staff of the Navy during his 23 years of naval career.

Commander(H) UN Hewahakmanage had been awarded with awarded the North & East Operation Medal, Sri Lanka Armed Services Long Service Medal, the Purna Bhoomi operation medal and the Humanitarian operation medals for the North and the East operations. In addition, he has been personally commended two times by the Commander of the Navy for acts of conspicuous bravery and outstanding service to the navy and the nation.

He is happily married to Mrs. Primali Prasangika and they are blessed with two daughters Dinadee (13) and Nesadee (09).

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PROFESSOR DALE STEPHENS

University of Adelaide Law School

Professor of Law

Dale Stephens is a Professor of Law at the University of Adelaide Law School. He was admitted to practice in 1989 and is a former Permanent Naval Legal Officer. He has occupied numerous senior positions within the Australian Defence Force, including Director of Operations and International Law, J06 HQJOC, Director of the Military Law Training Centre, Fleet Legal Officer and Director of Navy Legal Services. His operational deployments include multiple tours of East Timor and Iraq. He has been awarded the Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM), the (US) Bronze Star and the (US) Meritorious Service Medal. He attained the rank of Captain in the Royal Australian Navy before transferring to the Reserve in 2013.

Professor Stephens holds both a Masters degree (LL.M) and Doctorate (SJD) from Harvard Law School. He is Director of the Adelaide University Research Unit on Military Law and Ethics (RUMLAE). He is a participating member of the San Remo Manual on the Law of Naval Warfare update project. He is an Editor and Chair of the Board of Directors of the Woomera Manual on the International Law of Military Space Activities and Operations (Oxford University Press, 2024) and a co-Editor of Military Law in Australia (Federation Press, 2nd Edition 2024). He is Chair of the SA Red Cross IHL Advisory Committee. In 2021 he was awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the Australian Red Cross. He is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law

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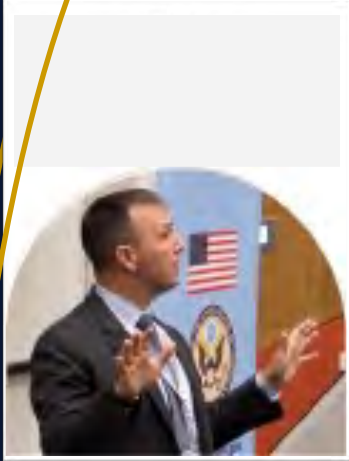
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COLONEL RAYMOND POWELL

United States Air Force (Ret.)

Founder and Director, SeaLight

Colonel Raymond Powell, US Air Force (Ret.), is the Founder and Director of SeaLight, a maritime transparency project of the Gordian Knot Center for National Security Innovation at Stanford University in California. SeaLight uses commercially available technology to monitor and report maritime activities, including the harassment of legal activities, illegal incursions into other countries' waters, and intimidation measures such as vessel swarming.

Colonel Powell concluded a 35-year career in the United States Air Force in November 2021. He served as the Air Attaché to Vietnam from 2013 to 2016 and the Senior Defense Official and Defense Attaché to Australia from 2017 to 2020. His other assignments have included Japan, Germany, two tours in Qatar, and three in the Pentagon. He also deployed on combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan.

He received his bachelor's degree from Wayland Baptist University in 1992 and his master's degree from Central Michigan University in 1999. He was a 2021 Fellow at the Distinguished Careers Institute at Stanford University.

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JAMES T. MOVICK

Pacific Fusion Centre

Director

Mr. James Movick is a national of the Federated States of Micronesia. His national public service principally over the period 1979 to 2010 includes FSM foreign affairs, head of national and state commercial tuna fisheries development agencies, and adviser to various state and national government decision makers in trade policy, food security and export value addition.

In August 2010 he was appointed Deputy Director-General of the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency and in November, 2012 was appointed as its Director-

General, serving two terms until 2018.

As FFA Director-General he was heavily involved in PIC regional issues, serving on peak regional coordination bodies, advising governments and Leaders, and undertaking regional advocacy in international meetings. He was heavily engaged in efforts to expand regional security information sharing and inter-sectoral regional maritime security cooperation.

In December 2022, he was appointed as the first Director of the Pacific Fusion Centre. In addition to managing the Centre's production of high-level strategic security assessments and capacity building of Pacific Islands analysts, he is actively engaged in supporting collaboration of regional security secretariats and national security coordination stakeholders to address Pacific Forum frameworks for unified maritime domain awareness and security related information sharing.

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CAPTAIN KENTARO FURUYA

Japan Coast Guard

Professor, Japan Coast Guard Academy

Professor, Japan Coast Guard Academy. Adjunct Professor, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS). Visiting Professor (by invitation), Keio University.

Education: Japan Coast Guard Academy, Hiroshima, Japan (1992), BA in Maritime Safety World Maritime University, Malmo, Sweden (2003), MSc in Maritime Affairs (Maritime Administration); The University of Greenwich, London, the UK (2012) MA in International Maritime Policy with Distinction.

Assignment History:

He joined the Japan Coast Guard in 1988 as a cadet. After graduation from JCGA, he was assigned offshore and onshore posts. He has dedicated himself to maritime search and rescue (including diving and special operations), planning and countering terrorism and spy boats, law enforcement operations, and education of domestic and international Coast Guard officers. His recent assignment history is as follows.

Apr. 2023: Visiting Professor (by invitation), Keio University

Apr. 2017: Professor, Japan Coast Guard Academy

Adjunct Professor, GRIPS (the Law of the Sea, Maritime Security, Coast Guard Operational Policy)

Apr. 2015: Associate Professor, the Japan Coast Guard Academy

Adjunct Associate Professor, GRIPS

Apr. 2014: Special Assistant to the Director, the Search and Rescue Division, Japan Coast Guard HQs

Oct. 2012: Associate Professor, Japan Coast Guard Academy (international law, Law of the sea, case study on coast guard operations)

Apr. 2009: Senior Researcher, the Japan Association for Marine Safety

Apr. 2007: Assistant Director, Security Division, 9th Regional HQs

* 2003 - 2005 He was assigned as a member of the Japanese delegation to the International Maritime Organization (IMO)

* 2009 - 2012 He was assigned as a member of the Japanese delegation to the UN Contact Group off Somalia Working Group 1 (Operational), 2 (Legal), and 3 (Self-Defensive Actions) and IMO

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CAPTAIN KS VIKRAMADITYA

National Maritime Foundation, New Delhi

Senior Fellow

Capt KS Vikramaditya was commissioned in the Executive Branch of the Indian Navy in July 1995. The officer subsequently underwent specialisation in Anti-Submarine Warfare wherein after he was appointed as the Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer onboard various frontline ships of the Indian Navy's Western Fleet, and subsequently as an Instructor at the Navy's ASW School.

The officer was closely involved in the fruition of the indigenous Combat Management System (CMS) and Data Link programmes of the Indian Navy. The

officer has also been closely associated with various Network Centric Operations endeavours; the conceptual aspects and setting up of the Information Fusion Centre, Indian Ocean Region; varied Maritime Security Systems; combat-networking; and steering the systemic incorporation of Big Data Analytics and AI in support of Naval operations.

The officer has also held appointments concerning Joint Operations, where he was pursuing strategic affairs, and the conceptualisation and conduct of Joint Exercises with friendly foreign countries.

Capt KS Vikramaditya joined the National Maritime Foundation, India's premier 'Maritime Think Tank', in November 2023. His areas of research include maritime geostrategies in the Indo-Pacific and their implications for India, emerging and disruptive technologies, and Maritime Domain Awareness, including Underwater Domain Awareness in the Indo-Pacific. The officer has been keenly involved in participating in and organising strategic dialogues and workshops pertaining to varied subjects such as Chinese Influence Operations, HADR in the IOR, MDA and Information Fusion Centres, and Non-Traditional Maritime Security Threats. The officer underwent the Comprehensive Security Course 24-1 at the DKI APCSS, Hawaii in Feb-Mar 2024.

The officer is a graduate of the Defence Services Staff College, Wellington, where he was awarded an MSc in Defence Studies. He also has an MBA degree from the Faculty of Management Studies, Delhi University.

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ANNE LOPEZ

State of Hawai'i

Attorney General

Anne Lopez is the Attorney General of Hawai'i having been appointed by Governor Josh Green. Prior to this appointment, she was the General Counsel and Vice President of Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC). HHSC is the State of Hawaii's community hospital system with hospitals on the neighbor islands and long-term care on Oahu.

Ms. Lopez left private practice in 2013 to serve as the Special Assistant to then Attorney General David Louie. Prior to attending law school at the University of

Hawai'i, she was an occupational therapist, working in a variety of settings including behavioral health and rehabilitation.

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CARRIE F. RICCI

United States Department of the Army
General Counsel

Carrie F. Ricci was confirmed by the United States Senate on December 14, 2021 and was sworn in as the 23rd General Counsel of the United States Army on January 3, 2022. As General Counsel, she is the chief lawyer of the Army ultimately responsible for determining the Army's position on any legal question. She serves as legal counsel to the Secretary of the Army, Under Secretary, the five Assistant Secretaries, and members of the Army Secretariat.

For nine years prior to her appointment, Ms. Ricci served as a Senior Executive with the United States Department of Agriculture, first as an Assistant General Counsel, then as the Associate General Counsel, Marketing, Regulatory, and Food Safety Programs, where she led a team that provided legal services to two Under Secretaries and three agencies. Her preceding assignment was as Assistant General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Department of Defense Education Activity.

In 2010, Ms. Ricci retired from the U.S. Army after 20 years of active military service. At the time of her retirement, Ms. Ricci served as Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Army, where she advised the Secretary of the Army and other senior Army leaders on legal and policy issues concerning all areas of military personnel management. Other key military assignments include: Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command; Chief, International Law, U.S. Central Command (USCENTCOM); Administrative Law Attorney, Office of the Judge Advocate General; Trial Counsel and Operational Law Attorney, 4th Infantry Division; and Platoon Leader in Operations DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM.

In 2020, Ms. Ricci served on the Fort Hood Independent Review Committee, a five member panel of Highly Qualified Experts appointed by the Secretary of the Army to conduct a review of the Fort Hood command climate and assess its impact on its soldiers and units, particularly as it related to preventing sexual assault and sexual harassment.

Ms. Ricci is a 1988 ROTC graduate of Georgetown University and entered active duty as an Adjutant General Corp officer (human resources) and later attended law school through the Army's Funded Legal Education Program, graduating from the University of Maryland School of Law. She earned a Master of Laws degree (LL.M.) from The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School, and a second LL.M from George Washington University School of Law. She is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and holds a certificate in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Workplace from the University of South Florida.

Ms. Ricci is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and is a recipient of the Lifetime Achievement award from the Hispanic National Bar Association.

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KUYOUN CHUNG

Kangwon National University

Associate Professor, Political Science Department

Dr. Kuyoun Chung is an Associate Professor of Political Science at Kangwon National University, South Korea. Her research focuses on US foreign policy and security issues in the Indo-Pacific, including alliance politics, regional security architecture, maritime security, militarized uses of AI and drones, and public opinion surveys on foreign policy attitudes. She received her Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of California, Los Angeles. Previously, she was a lecturer in the Department of Political Science at UCLA, a visiting professor at the

Korea National Diplomatic Academy, and a research fellow at the Korea Institute for National Unification. Currently, she serves as a member of the policy advisory committees of the National Security Council of the President's Office, Ministry of Defense, and the Republic of Korea Navy.

Her latest publications include, "South Korean Public's Threat Perception and Support for the US Extended Deterrence" (2024), "Recalibrating South Korea's Role and Regional Network in the Indo-Pacific" (2023), "Multilateralism in the Indo-Pacific: Conceptual and Operational Challenges" (2023), and "Public Diplomacy of South Korea" (Routledge, forthcoming 2024), for which she served as an editor and contributor. Recently, she has been working on maritime gray-zone conflicts around the Korean Peninsula and the assurance of the US, determinants of isolationist foreign policy attitudes of US voters, and the proliferation of drones and its effect on crisis escalation. As a project, she has managed the "Trilateral Women in Security," which aims to empower South Korea, Japan and US women scholars in international security with support from the US State Department. In 2024, she also serves as a director of the research council under the Korea Association of International Studies (KAIS).

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JEFFREY BAE

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Jeffrey Bae is an Attorney-Adviser in the U.S. Department of State's Office of the Legal Adviser, Office of East Asian and Pacific Affairs. In this role, he advises on legal issues relating to the People's Republic of China, mainland Southeast Asia, and Pacific Islands countries.

Mr. Bae previously defended the Department of State in employment discrimination cases before the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, and in federal courts.

Prior to government service, he was a litigator at a large law firm in New York City, where he represented clients in a wide range of matters including regulatory and internal investigations involving alleged violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and accounting fraud. He clerked for a federal judge in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Mr. Bae received his B.A. from Cornell University, M.P.A from Harvard Kennedy School, and J.D. from the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law.

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DR. JILL GOLDENZIEL

National Defense University

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Dr. Jill Goldenziel is a Professor at the National Defense University's College of Information and Cyberspace. She is also an Affiliated Scholar at the University of Pennsylvania's Fox Leadership International Program and Penn's Partnership for Effective Public Administration and Leadership Ethics.

Dr. Goldenziel's award-winning scholarship focuses on international law, lawfare, information warfare, U.S. and comparative constitutional law, the law of war, refugees and migration, and leadership. Her award-winning work has appeared in

the Cornell Law Review, the American Journal of International Law, the American Journal of Comparative Law, the Virginia Journal of International Law, the University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law, and the Arizona State Law Journal, among other scholarly journals. Dr. Goldenziel is also a Forbes.com contributor on Defense and National Security and is frequently quoted and cited in the press.

Dr. Goldenziel is a sought-after speaker and consultant. She regularly advises elite Marine units, the Joint Force, Combatant Commands, and civilian agencies on lawfare and legal issues, and has briefed senior military and civilian leadership on her research. She received the 2022 Serge Lazareff Prize from NATO's Allied Command Operations Office of Legal Affairs at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe for her work on legal operations (known elsewhere as lawfare or counter-lawfare). Since 2016, Dr. Goldenziel has had High-Level involvement in the processes to negotiate, create, and implement the UN Global Compact for Migration (GCM), as a representative of the Academic Council on the UN System. She spoke as the primary representative from academia at the 2022 UN International Migration Review Forum Stakeholder's Meeting, spoke alongside world leaders before 164 UN Member-States at the Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt the GCM, and submitted draft language for both documents and the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants.

Dr. Goldenziel was previously a Professor at U.S. Marine Corps University-Command and Staff College, a Climenko Fellow and Lecturer on Law at Harvard Law School, a Research Fellow at the Harvard Kennedy School's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, a Lecturer on Government and Social Studies at Harvard College, and a Visiting Assistant Professor at the Boston University School of Law. She clerked for Judge Thomas Buergenthal (Ret., International Court of Justice) and Prof. William W. Park on ICSID investor-state international arbitration tribunals. She has been a Visiting Scholar at iCourts at the University of Copenhagen and a Scholar-in-Residence at the International Arbitration practice of WilmerHale in London.

Dr. Goldenziel holds a Ph.D. and an A.M. in Government from Harvard University, a J.D. from the New York University School of Law, and an A.B. from Princeton University.

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MANUEL TORRES

University of Lisbon School of Law

Research Fellow

Manuel Torres is a subject matter expert in Hybrid Warfare, and a Research Fellow in the School of Law of the University of Lisbon.

Professionally, Manuel Torres served NATO for more than a decade. Initially, he was a member of the Defence Planning team at the ACT Staff Elements Europe in SHAPE, later, he was responsible for designing and executing multi domain high-visibility Allied Joint Exercises at the Joint Warfare Centre, in Norway.

Mr. Torres has been a member of NATO HQ's International Staff, serving in the Defence Investment Division as the Coordinator of NATO's Main Armament Groups, while also having the privilege of leading the Capability Defence Executive Board as its Secretary. Most recently, Manuel worked at NATO's Joint Analysis and Lessons Learned Centre as an Operational Research Analyst, producing key reports on strategic topics such as the Lessons Learned from the Resolute Mission in Afghanistan.

For the past two years, Mr. Torres has been using his knowledge and expertise to inform the Portuguese public about ongoing geopolitical dynamics and the Russian aggression on Ukraine, serving as a Senior Resident Expert for the Portuguese news channel "SIC Notícias".

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André supports the work of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in the Asia Pacific region from the ICRC Regional Resources Network (RRN) in Thailand. The role focusses on advancing the regional understanding of international humanitarian law applicable to armed conflict at sea, strengthening the application of other legal protection regimes at sea, supporting the work of

other ICRC métiers and ICRC Delegations on related files, and supporting the ICRC institutional thinking on its future positioning in Asia Pacific.

His work experience includes practising law; serving in the South African National Defence Force (Navy and Air Force); government service in the Defence Ministry, the Foreign Ministry, and the Office of the Chief State Law Adviser (International Law); university research and lecturing, and consulting. André has worked in countries in Africa, Europe, Central Asia, and East Asia.

He holds several degrees and other qualifications in different areas of study that include a master's degree in international law, international accreditation as a mediator, admission as a legal practitioner (attorney/solicitor and later as advocate/barrister) and being Senior Air Staff and Air Warfare qualified. He is an alumnus of the Hague Academy for International Law; the San Remo Institute for International Humanitarian Law; the United Nations Institute for Training and Research; the Universities of Cape Town, Stellenbosch, and Pretoria; the University of Stellenbosch Business School; and several military training institutions.

André is based in Bangkok with his scientist-wife and their two teenage daughters.

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COLONEL VIKTOR MASLIUK

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Colonel Viktor Masliuk is a military lawyer with twenty-nine years of experience working alongside the legal teams of military units and headquarters on tactical, operational, strategic, and political levels.

Throughout his extensive military career, Colonel Masliuk represented his units before courts and other legal entities, advised, and provided expertise and interpretation to the military leadership alongside the chain of command on best practices related to legal aspects of the national security sector policy, doctrine,

and legislature. In his current position at the Legal Department of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine, he leads and supervises International Humanitarian Law implementation, compliance, and dissemination within the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine and the Armed Forces of Ukraine. Moreover, he conducts and manages legal reviews of international treaties, agreements, and contracts.

His expertise comprises an adaptation of the Ukrainian legislature on national defense and security to the acquis EU. Also, Colonel Masliuk has been deployed to UN peacekeeping operations in Africa and the Southern Mediterranean. He is a graduate of The Judge Advocate General Legal Center and School (Charlottesville, Virginia, USA) and King's College London (London, UK). Colonel Masliuk is inspired daily by his wife Vira and their two sons.

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NEIL S. SILVA

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Neil S. Silva is a legal officer at the University of the Philippines Law Center – Institute for Maritime Affairs and Law of the Sea. He is also a lecturer on Constitutional Law, Legal Theory, and Peace Processes at the University of the Philippines College of Law. He further lectures at the National Defense College of the Philippines, the Development Academy of the Philippines, and the Philippine Public Safety College.

He was formerly consultant to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the National Coast Watch Council Secretariat, and previously served in various capacities with the Department of Justice.

Neil Silva has worked on defense cooperation and served as legal adviser to the Philippine Negotiating Panel on the 2014 Philippine-US Agreement on Enhanced Defense Cooperation and to the working groups of the Philippine Commission on Visiting Forces.

He has also worked on maritime and oceanic law, including on the drafting of the Philippine archipelagic baselines law, the maritime zones and archipelagic sea lanes bills, and the Benham Rise extended continental shelf submission, for which he served as a member of the Philippine delegation to the CLCS.

He likewise worked on domestic peacebuilding, including the implementation of agreements with the Communist Party of the Philippines and the review and implementation of agreements with the Moro Islamic Liberation Front, as well as on policies and instruments for the suppression of transnational crime, including the ASEAN Convention on Trafficking in Persons and Regional Plan of Action against Trafficking in Persons.

He served as legal adviser to the minority in the 2005-2006 Commission on Constitutional Amendments, and a resource person to the National Territory and Security Cluster of the 2019 Inter-Agency Working Group on Constitutional Amendments.

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NGUYEN THI LAN ANH

Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam

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Associate Professor Dr. Nguyen Thi Lan Anh, Director General of the East Sea Institute, the Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam, is an expert in international law and the law of the sea. Her research area includes issues related to ocean law and policy, maritime boundary delimitation, maritime security and safety, Vietnam's foreign policy with a focus on the South China Sea.

Prof. Lan Anh regularly offers legal and policy advice to the government agencies of Vietnam as well as international and regional organisations in different legal and foreign policy issues. Prof. Lan Anh also often participates as a resource person or leads Vietnamese delegations to participate in track 2 and 1.5 initiatives in the region and around the world. In addition to her portfolio at the East Sea Institute, Prof. Lan Anh is equally in charge of the Faculty of International Law of the Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam where she reads international law and law of the sea. Before her current post, Prof. Lan Anh served as Deputy Head of Mission of the Vietnam's Embassy in the United Kingdom.

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Dr. Nur Shahadah Jamil is a PhD holder in Strategic and Security Studies, National University of Malaysia (UKM). Her PhD dissertation entitled *Evolution in China's South China Sea Policy Process: A Neoclassical Realism Explanation*, focuses primarily on explaining how structural factors and elites' perception contribute to the evolution of China's South China Sea Policy, as well as the evolution in the patterns of pluralization in the policy process from 1949-2017.

Dr. Shahadah is also a recipient of Taiwan Fellowship in 2017; Korea National Diplomatic Academy (KNDA) ASEAN Visiting Fellowship Program in 2023 and co-convenor at the East Asian International Relations (EAIR) Caucus - which is a research platform for exchange, engagement and empowerment among foreign affairs professionals and international relations scholars in Malaysia. Her research concentrates mainly on China's foreign policy, South China Sea, Southeast Asian responses to Belt and Road Initiative and East Asian Security.

She is currently serving as a Senior Lecturer at the Institute of China Studies (ICS), University of Malaya (UM) and can be contacted via email at shahadah@um.edu.my.

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PROFESSOR JAY L BATONGBACAL

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Professor

Jay L Batongbacal is a lawyer with degrees in Political Science and Law from the University of the Philippines, as well as Master of Marine Management and Doctor in the Science of Law, both from Dalhousie University (Canada). At present, he is a full Professor and chairs the Graduate Studies Program at the University of the Philippines College of Law, while also serving as Director of the Institute for Maritime Affairs and Law of the Sea of the U.P. Law Center and

Chair of the LLM Program Committee. He has worked extensively on maritime affairs since 1997, carrying out research, consultancy work, and teaching, with numerous national and international publications to his credit.

Dr. Batongbacal was legal advisor to the Philippine delegation that successfully pursued the Philippines' claim to a continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles in the Benham Rise Region before the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf in accordance with the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), and the successful application before the International Maritime Organization for the designation of the Tubbataha Reef Natural Park Particularly Sensitive Sea Area. He has been included among the UNESCO/IOC List of Experts for UNCLOS Annex VIII Special Arbitration on Marine Scientific Research.

In 2022, Dr. Batongbacal completed a Taiwan Fellowship Program at the National Taiwan Normal University in Taipei, Taiwan and a Fulbright Advanced Research and Lecturing Fellowship at the US Naval War College in Rhode Island, USA. He has since returned to resume teaching undergrad and graduate law courses and is using "experimental game-based learning" with two elective courses, The Law of the Sea and Natural Resources Law. His current research interests include the Law of the Sea, Aerospace Law, and the Law of Naval Warfare.

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DAVID W. PANUELO

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David W. Panuelo is a distinguished non-resident fellow at the Atlantic Council, and formerly the ninth President of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), serving from May 2019 to 2023. Prior to this, Panuelo served in the FSM Congress from May 2011 to May 2019; as the Director of the Department of Resources & Development for Pohnpei State; as the Assistant Secretary for America & European Affairs; and as the Deputy Chief of Mission to the FSM's Missions to the United Nations and to Fiji. Panuelo has also established various businesses

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Panuelo's primary interests, in both research and advocacy, is in the forming and promotion of good governance, in strengthening democracy and democratic institutions in the Indo-Pacific and globally; and in strengthening the sovereignty and prosperity of Pacific Island Countries.

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Mr. Martin is the Director of the Department of Defense Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (CFE-DM) on Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. He directs training, education, applied research, regional civil-military coordination, and crisis support during disasters in support of U.S. Indo-Pacific Command, with worldwide responsibilities. He was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in October 2016 upon resuming duties as the Center's Director; he previously served as the Director of CFE-DM from May 2014 to June 2016 while on active duty as a U.S. Air Force colonel.

Mr. Martin was commissioned through ROTC as a distinguished graduate in the U.S. Air Force in 1989 after having completed a bachelor's degree in mathematics from the University of California, Riverside. In his nearly 27-year Air Force career, he served as logistics planner, supply/fuels officer, and logistics readiness officer. He commanded twice at the flight level (including Operation Southern Watch), three times at the squadron level (including Operation Iraqi Freedom), and from 2012-2013 was an Expeditionary Mission Support Group Commander during Operation Enduring Freedom. Additionally, he served on the Logistics Staff at Pacific Air Forces and the Air Staff, and completed joint positions with the Defense Logistics Agency, U.S. Forces Korea, and U.S. Indo-Pacific Command. Prior to being the Director at CFE-DM, he was the Director of Pacific Outreach (J9) at U.S. Indo-Pacific Command from 2013-2014.

Mr. Martin holds graduate degrees from Troy State University, the Air Force Institute of Technology, Air University, and National Defense University. During his uniformed service he was awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal (2), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Meritorious Service Medal (7), Joint and Air Force Commendation Medals, the Air Force Achievement Medal, and numerous campaign and unit awards. Mr. Martin is married and has six children.

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Ernestine Kawai Rengiil graduated from Lewis and Clark Law School in Portland, Oregon and is licensed to practice law in the State of Hawaii and the Republic of Palau. She is the first female lawyer in Palau and the first woman to serve as Attorney General.

Rengiil is currently the Attorney General of the Republic of Palau having been appointed by President Surangel S. Whipps, Jr. She has also served as Attorney General during the Administrations of President Ngiratkel Etpison, President

Johnson Toribiong and President Tommy Remengesau, Jr.

Rengiil is an officer of the Palau Bar Association, a member of the Judicial Nominating Commission, and a board member of the Palau Community Action Agency.

Rengiil has represented Palau in tennis in the Micronesian Games and the Pacific Games and is a gold medalist in tennis in the 2002 Micronesian Games. She is a member of local and international sports associations (President, Palau Tennis Federation (PTF); Volunteer coach for PTF; Board member of the Palau National Olympic Committee (PNOC) and member of the Legal Commission of the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC).

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URSULA RAKOVA

Tulele Peisa

Executive Director

Ursula Rakova is an environmentalist and climate change activist from Papua New Guinea. In 2008 she was awarded the Pride of PNG award for her environmental contributions to the development of her country. As executive director of the not-for-profit organisation Tulele Peisa, she is responsible for organizing the relocation of the inhabitants of the Carteret Islands to the mainland of Bougainville Province. The islands are expected to be uninhabitable by 2040, rendering Rakova's people the world's first climate refugees.

Rakova was born on the islet of Han in the Carteret Atoll. In 2005 she established a community schooling system in Bougainville as an alternative to the failed public school system. In 2006 she established Tulele Peisa to assist her people with relocation as the Carteret Islands were becoming increasingly exposed to sea level rise. The first settlement was established in Tinputz. Rakova has assisted in establishing several environmental NGO's in Papua New Guinea and Bougainville. She coordinated a landmark legal case whereby the Warangoi successfully sued illegal loggers and won compensation for their stolen forest resource. She established Bougainville Cocoa Net Limited to assist relocated Carteret Islanders with opportunities to produce fair trade cocoa.

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Mr. Allan Rahari is the Director of Fisheries Operations with the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA). FFA Member Countries & Territories: Australia, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshal Islands, Nauru, New Zealand, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu.

He leads the FFA's regional program of work to combat Illegal Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing in the Pacific region to support the 17 FFA member countries fisheries Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) activities in close collaboration with its surveillance partners, through implementation and delivery of robust MCS programs at regional and national level.

Prior to taking up this current role, he previously held FFA positions as Surveillance Operations Assistant, Monitoring Control & Surveillance Specialist and Surveillance Operations Officer. Before joining FFA, he was a Commanding Officer on Solomon Islands Patrol Boats and Chief of Staff for the Royal Solomon Islands Police Force.

Allan had vast knowledge and experiences in national and regional maritime law enforcement and fisheries compliance and policy. He holds a degree in Masters of Fisheries Policy from University of Wollongong in Australia and seagoing certificate of competency from Australian Maritime College.

He is from Solomon Islands and have worked for the FFA for over 12 years.

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COMMODORE IAN PARK

Royal Navy, United Kingdom

Head Legal

Commodore Ian Park is a Logistics Officer, barrister and Head of Navy Legal. He has served in seven ships including as the Logistics Officer in HMS DUNCAN and Commander Logistics in the then Fleet Flagship HMS ALBION and deployed worldwide in support of the Royal Navy's contribution to defence. He has also deployed as a legal adviser on operations to Afghanistan and, on many occasions, to the Middle East.

Ian is a graduate and Scholar of St. John's College, Cambridge, has a doctorate in international law from Balliol College, Oxford and has lectured at Harvard Law School, Cambridge University, Oxford University, The Academy of Military Sciences, Beijing, Hanoi University, The National University of Singapore, and Freiburg University amongst other institutions. He is, or has been, a Visiting Fellow at Harvard Law School, a Hudson Fellow at Oxford University, a Mountbatten Fellow at Cambridge University, a First Sea Lord's Fellow, and a Freeman of the City of London. Ian has written or contributed to five books including the monograph 'The Right to Life in Armed Conflict' (Oxford University Press, 2018) and presently teaches part-time at Yale Law School and Cambridge University.

Ian has held numerous legal, policy and strategy roles in Navy Command and Security, Policy and Operations in the Ministry of Defence and is a former winner of the Armed Forces barrister of the year at the Employed Bar Awards.

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PROFESSOR STUART KAYE

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Stuart Kaye is Director and Distinguished Professor of Law within the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS) at the University of Wollongong. He holds degrees in arts and law from the University of Sydney, and a doctorate in law from Dalhousie University.

Stuart Kaye has an extensive research interest in the law of the sea and international law. He has written 10 books, including *The Torres Strait* (1997), *International Fisheries Management* (2001), *Freedom of Navigation in the Indo-Pacific Region* (2008) and over 120 other academic works. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society in 2007 and a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law in 2011.

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Dita Liliansa is Research Fellow at the Ocean Law and Policy Programme, Centre for International Law (CIL), National University of Singapore (NUS). She is an experienced researcher working on multidisciplinary maritime security and marine environment issues. She is also a member of the newly established International Law Association (ILA) Committee on Protection of People at Sea.

Dita obtained her law degrees from the University of Indonesia and the University of Washington in 2014 and 2017, respectively. The latter was funded by the Fulbright program.

Prior to joining CIL, Dita did short stints at law firms in Jakarta and Bangkok. She also served in several academic positions in Indonesia, which allowed her to work closely with government and law enforcement agencies, particularly on maritime security issues.

Dita's article on Indonesia's enforcement measures against illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing vessels, published in the Asian Journal of International Law, won the Second-Prize of the 2021 Asian Society of International Law (AsianSIL) Junior Scholar Award.

Currently, Dita is engaged in a collaborative project investigating the challenges and opportunities surrounding the issue of forced labour and human trafficking in the Southeast Asian fishing industry. She is also interested in issues related to laws of naval warfare from a Global South perspective, which includes the protection of key sea lines of communication (SLOC) and critical maritime infrastructures in wartime

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CDR Ian Santicola is currently assigned as the Chief of National Security Law at U.S. Indo-Pacific Command.

CDR Santicola earned his BA from the University at Albany in May 2003, his JD from Albany Law School in May 2005, his LLM from Georgetown University Law Center in May 2014, and his MA in National Security & Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in June 2024. He is admitted to practice law in the State of New York.

CDR Santicola commissioned in the Navy JAG Corps in September 2005 and reported to the Naval Legal Service North Central Branch Office Brunswick in March 2006. In September 2007, CDR Santicola deployed to Task Force 134/Detainee Operations in Iraq. After returning from Iraq in April 2008, CDR Santicola reported to Commander Navy Recruiting Command in Millington and served as the Deputy SJA for CNRC from May 2008 to July 2010. From July 2010 to July 2012, CDR Santicola served as a litigation attorney at OJAG (Code 14), General Litigation. In March 2011, he deployed to CJATF 435 in Bagram, Afghanistan, where he served as Lead Justice Advisor at the Justice Center in Parwan. From July 2012 to July 2013, CDR Santicola served as the Flag Aide to the Judge Advocate General of the Navy. In May 2014, he earned his LLM in Environmental Law from Georgetown University Law Center. From June 2014 to June 2016, CDR Santicola served as the Deputy Fleet Judge Advocate/Fleet Environmental Counsel at U.S. THIRD Fleet in San Diego. From July 2016 to May 2019, CDR Santicola served as the Operational Law Planner at Headquarters U.S. European Command (EUCOM) in Stuttgart, Germany, where he also served as the Chief of Operational Law from June 2018 to May 2019. From May 2019 to June 2021, CDR Santicola served as the Officer in Charge of Region Legal Service Office Mid-Atlantic Detachment Groton. From June 2021 to June 2023, CDR Santicola served as the Fleet Judge Advocate at U.S. SEVENTH Fleet in Yokosuka, Japan. From July 2023 to June 2024, he attended the Senior Course at the Naval War College.

CDR Santicola is entitled to wear the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint Commendation Medal, the Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and other medals/ribbons.

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AIR COMMODORE PAT KEANE

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AIRCDRE Pat Keane joined the RAAF in 1995 as an intelligence officer and served the Air Intelligence Centre.

After transferring to legal specialisation, he served with 92Wing (Maritime Patrol), 41Wing (Air Defence) and as a military prosecutor.

AIRCDRE Keane served on an exchange posting with the United States Air Force at HQ USAF in the Operations and International Law Division.

AIRCDRE Keane served as the legal adviser to the Chief of Air Force at Air Force Headquarters between 2008 and 2011 and was made a member of the Order of Australia (Military Division) for service in this role.

AIRCDRE Keane served as the legal adviser at Military Strategic Commitments between 2012 and 2014, providing advice to the Chief of Defence Force on ADF operations at the strategic level and was awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross for service in this role.

AIRCDRE Keane has served in the Office of the Chief of the Defence Force as Staff Officer (Legal), as Director of Air Force Legal Services, Director of Administrative Law and Advisings, as Director Legal (J06) at Joint Operations Command and at Australian Defence Force Headquarters as the Director Select Strategic Issues Management. AIRCDRE Keane was appointed as the Director-General of the Military Legal Service in January 2021.

AIRCDRE Keane has undertaken active service during the Iraq war in 2003, in stabilisation operations in Iraq and Afghanistan and operations in Iraq and Syria against Islamic State.

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Professional qualifications:

Solicitor Supreme Court of Queensland
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AIRCDRE Keane is married to Joanne, enjoys a good red wine and is a poor but enthusiastic golfer.

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BRIGADIER-GENERAL ROBERT .F. HOLMAN

Canadian Armed Forces
Judge-Advocate General

Brigadier-General (BGen) Rob Holman was born into an Air Force family and grew up in a variety of locations across Canada and in Germany. After graduating from high school in Toronto, Ontario, he joined the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) in 1986 and attended the Royal Military College of Canada (RMC) in Kingston. Upon commissioning, he undertook basic and advanced flying training, receiving his pilot wings in 1991. He subsequently served as a qualified flying instructor and later a standards officer flying the CT-114 Tutor jet trainer. In 1995, he returned to RMC, where he served as a squadron commander and supervised the Air Force's Continuation Flying Training program.

In 1997, BGen Holman was selected for sponsored legal education under the Military Legal Training Plan. He received his law degree from Queen's University and, after serving as a judicial law clerk at the Federal Court of Appeal in Ottawa, was called to the bar of Ontario and joined the Office of the Judge Advocate General as a legal officer in February 2002.

From 2002 to 2007, BGen Holman served as a military prosecutor, first as trial counsel before courts martial, and later as appellate counsel appearing before the Court Martial Appeal Court of Canada. In 2007, he deployed to Afghanistan where, as part of the American-led Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan, he served as a legal advisor and mentor to the senior leaders of the Afghan National Army and Ministry of Defence Legal Departments. He was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by the United States Army.

For the next several years, BGen Holman's work focused upon international law issues affecting CAF operations. During this time, he served in a number of positions including as an Assistant Legal Advisor at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe during part of NATO's operations in Libya, as the Assistant Deputy Judge Advocate General for Operational Law and as Special Advisor to the Judge Advocate General.

Promoted to Colonel in 2013, he served as Deputy Judge Advocate General for Military Justice until 2017, leading a team responsible for supporting the Judge Advocate General in their role as superintendent of the administration of military justice in the CAF. From 2017 to 2020, as the Deputy Judge Advocate General for Operational and International Law, he was responsible for the provision of legal advice and services to all CAF international and domestic operations and to all Department of National Defence (DND) and CAF activities in the areas of national security and intelligence. In August 2020, he was appointed as Chief of Staff of the Office of the Judge Advocate General and Legal Branch Advisor, positions that he held until September 2022.

BGen Holman served as the Acting Judge Advocate General from November 2021 until June 2023. On 28 June 2023, he was appointed by the Governor General in Council as Canada's sixteenth Judge Advocate General. He serves as legal advisor to the Governor General, the Minister of National Defence, DND and the CAF in matters relating to military law, superintends the administration of military justice and commands the Office of the Judge Advocate General, an integrated team of almost 400 military and civilian professionals spread across Canada and around the world.

BGen Holman is a graduate of RMC (B.Eng.), Queen's University (LLB.) and McGill University (LLM.).

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FEB 1993 - DEC 1996 Studied Law at the University of Tasmania, Hobart, Tasmania, Australia

JAN 1997 - SEP 1997 Further Law studies at the Australian National University, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory, Australia

OCT 1997 - MAY 1998 Legal Officer at HQ RFMF, Suva, Fiji

MAY 1998 - MAY 1999 Adjutant of the Second Fiji Infantry Battalion (2FIR), Multinational Force and Observers (MFO), Sinai Desert, Egypt

SEP 2000 - JAN 2001 Force Field Liaison Officer, MFO

FEB 2001 - FEB 2013 Legal Officer, HQ RFMF, Suva, Fiji

MAR 2013 - MAR 2014 Case Officer, Conduct and Discipline Team (CDT), United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)

APR 2014 - PRESENT Director Army Legal Services, HQ RFMF, Suva, Fiji

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REAR ADMIRAL KRESNO BUNTORO

Indonesian Navy

Head of Legal Bureau of Indonesia Armed Forces

Kresno Buntoro has served in the Indonesian Navy since 1989 and currently holds the rank of Rear Admiral. Now, he is posted as Head of Legal Bureau of Indonesia Armed Forces.

Kresno Buntoro finished his Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Diponegoro, Indonesia in 1991, and his Masters of Laws (LL.M in Public International Law) from the University of Nottingham, United Kingdom, in 1995. He received the British Chevening Awards for his Masters. He finished his Ph.D (Ocean and Trans national Security) from the University of Wollongong, Australia in 2010. He received the Australian Leadership Award for his Ph.D.

Kresno Buntoro has been part of various initiatives contributing to ocean legal framework for the Indonesian government in his work as an Indonesian Navy Officer Such as a staff of member Presidential Advisory Council, a member of Presidential Task Force on Combatting IUU Fishing, staff expert for the National Resilience Council, and staff expert for maritime boundaries (foreign ministry). He was actively involved in legal and policy researches on the implementation of the Law of the Sea Convention and public international law in Indonesia. He has also participated in several international conferences, working groups and presented several papers on maritime policy issues and public international law. He is listed as a United Nations Arbitrator/Conciliator on Law of the Sea since 2001. He is a Lecturer in Indonesian Navy Command and Staff College, Indonesian Armed Forces Command and Staff College, and several Universities in Jakarta such as Indonesian Defence University, University of Indonesia, University of Esa Unggul, etc.

His research interests include ocean and trans-national security, maritime boundary delimitation, maritime security, defence strategy and diplomacy, and international humanitarian law, on which topics he has some papers and books published in English and in Bahasa Indonesia.

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COLONEL JUNJI SHINAGAWA

Japan Ground Self-Defense Force

Japan Joint Staff

The Legal Affairs General

Service Career

MAR 1998 8th Infantry Regiment (Camp Yonago, Tottori)

AUG 2004 Instructor in Officer Candidate School
(Camp Maegawara, Fukuoka)

AUG 2006 Student in Staff College (Meguro, Tokyo)

AUG 2008 Company Commander, 5th Infantry Regiment
(Camp Aomori, Aomori)

MAR 2010 Staff of General Service unit in Camp Itami
(For study in Kobe University Graduate School)

MAR 2012 Staff of Judge Advocate, Ground Staff Office
(Ichigaya, Tokyo)

JAN 2014 Instructor in National Defense Academy
(Yokosuka, Kanagawa)

AUG 2015 Administration Division, Comptroller Department, Ground Staff
Office (Ichigaya, Tokyo)

AUG 2016 Staff of Central Service Support, (For study in
National Institute for Defense Study)

JUL 2017 Staff of 8th Division HQ
(Camp Kitakumamoto, Kumamoto)

AUG 2017 G3 of 8th Division HQ
(Camp Kitakumamoto, Kumamoto)

AUG 2019 15th Rapid Deployment Regimental Commander
(Camp Zentsuji, Kagawa)

SEP 2021 Judge Advocate, JGSDF Eastern Army
(Camp Asaka, Tokyo)

MAR 2023 Legal Affairs General, Joint Staff (Ichigaya, Tokyo)

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COLONEL JAMES KENNEDY-GOOD

New Zealand Defence Force

Director, Defence Legal Services

2013, Colonel Kennedy-Good was promoted to Major. He then deployed to the ISAF Joint Command, also located in Kabul, and advised on operational law matters for international and New Zealand forces in theatre.

On his return from deployment in 2014, Colonel Kennedy-Good was posted to the role of Assistant Director of Military Prosecutions in HQNZDF. Shortly after, he seconded to another government agency from 2015 to 2017.

Upon his return to the NZDF in 2017, Colonel Kennedy-Good was posted to Headquarters Joint Forces New Zealand as the Chief Operational Legal Adviser. In that role, he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. While the Chief Operational Legal Adviser, he was a member of an NZDF contingent that supported Papua New Guinea in hosting APEC in 2018.

In 2019, Colonel Kennedy-Good became the Deputy Director of Defence Legal Services (Personnel). In that role, he advised on discipline, administration, and litigation involving uniformed personnel.

In 2022, Colonel Kennedy-Good completed the blended Command and Staff Course with the United States Marine Corps University. He also holds a Master of Laws, a Bachelor of Laws, and a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and Criminology from Victoria University of Wellington.

In 2022, Colonel Kennedy-Good assumed the role of Chief of Staff of DLS and in April 2023 was appointed the Director of DLS on promotion to Colonel.

Colonel James Kennedy-Good was born in Hawera and grew up in Taitoko/Levin.

He joined the New Zealand Army in January 2002 and was commissioned into the rank of Second Lieutenant in 2003. Upon completing his university studies, Colonel Kennedy-Good was posted to Headquarters New Zealand Defence Force as a staff officer before deploying to the Republic of Korea as part of the United Nations Military Armistice Commission in 2007.

On return from this deployment in 2008, Colonel Kennedy-Good transferred to Defence Legal Services (DLS) and has since held various legal roles. He initially worked for the Operational Law Cell in HQNZDF before posting to the Northern Region Legal Office in 2009.

In January 2012, Colonel Kennedy-Good deployed to the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) strategic headquarters in Kabul, Afghanistan, where he worked in a multinational legal team supporting the ISAF commander and advising on strategic legal issues across the Afghanistan area of operations.

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AIR VICE-MARSHAL TAMARA JENNINGS

Royal Air Force, United Kingdom

Director of Legal Services

With a family history of service in the Royal Air Force, Air Vice-Marshal Jennings led a rather nomadic existence in her early years. After completing a law degree and legal practice course, she spent a year volunteering with the homeless and providing advice for the Citizens Advice Bureau before completing her legal training, qualifying as a Solicitor in 1998.

Following legal practice in Newcastle upon Tyne, Air Vice-Marshal Jennings commissioned into the RAF Legal Branch in 2000 and has enjoyed tours at HQ PTC, HQ STC, RAF Brize Norton and latterly at HQ Air in advisory, service complaints and operational legal roles. She has also served with the Army on 2 occasions at HQ 1 UK Armoured Division in Germany, which also involved deployments to Kosovo, Oman, Bahrain and Canada. Her operational tour advising the UK red card holder in the CAOC in Al Udeid on targeting saw her awarded an AOC's commendation. Her completion of Advanced Command and Staff Course was followed by an out of Branch tour running the RAF Service Complaints Team, for which she was awarded an OBE. She was promoted to Air Commodore in 2017 and to Air Vice-Marshal, Director of Legal Services in September 2018 and completed the Higher Command and Staff Course in 2021.

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VICE ADMIRAL DARSE "DEL" CRANDALL

United States Navy

Judge Advocate General

Vice Admiral (VADM) "Del" Crandall is the 45th Judge Advocate General of the Navy and serves as the principal military legal counsel to the Secretary of the Navy and Chief of Naval Operations, as well as the Department of Defense Representative for Ocean Policy Affairs. He also leads the 2,500 attorneys, enlisted legalmen and civilian employees of the worldwide Navy JAG Corps community.

VADM Crandall's previous senior legal advisor positions include deputy legal counsel to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; deputy staff judge advocate (SJA) for U.S. Naval Forces Europe; SJA for U.S. Sixth Fleet; SJA for U.S. European Command; legal advisor to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations; special counsel to the Chief of Naval Operations; deputy legal advisor to the National Security Council staff; and Legal Counsel to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

VADM Crandall also previously served as the Deputy Judge Advocate General of the Navy and Commander, Naval Legal Service Command, during which time he led the attorneys, enlisted legalmen, and civilian employees of 14 commands that provide prosecution and defense services, legal assistance services to individuals, specialized legal training, and legal advice to Navy units around the world.

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REAR ADMIRAL RICHARD E. BATSON

United States Coast Guard
Judge Advocate General and Chief Counsel

Rear Admiral Batson assumed the duties of the Judge Advocate General and Chief Counsel in June of 2023. He has the privilege to lead a dedicated group of legal professionals who are responsible for the delivery of all legal services in support of the Coast Guard's missions, its units, and its people. His previous assignment was as Chief of Staff for the Fifth Coast Guard District, where he was

responsible for all Coast Guard missions throughout the Mid-Atlantic region from central New Jersey through North Carolina, covering 156,000 square miles of ocean, bays, and rivers, the major Mid-Atlantic ports, and our Nation's Capital.

As a Judge Advocate, Rear Admiral Batson previously served as the Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard Legal Service Command, providing nationwide full-spectrum legal support for the Coast Guard's Mission Support enterprise, and military justice and court-martial support for the entire U.S. Coast Guard. He also served as the Executive Assistant to the Judge Advocate General and as Chief of the Office of Legal Policy and Program Development; as a member of the Military Justice Review Group, established by the DoD General Counsel to conduct a comprehensive review of the military justice system; as Staff Judge Advocate at Coast Guard Training Center Yorktown; the Contract and Fiscal Law Branch and Operations Law Branch at Coast Guard Maintenance and Logistics Command Atlantic; and as a Trial Counsel at the U.S. Navy Trial Service Office at Naval Station Norfolk. In 2008, he was appointed to the Trial Judiciary and served as a Military Judge, presiding at Courts-Martial throughout the Coast Guard until 2012.

Rear Admiral Batson has also served in a variety of assignments outside the legal program, including as Speechwriter and Special Assistant to the Commandant of the Coast Guard; Executive Officer of Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center Atlantic; Coast Guard Marine Safety Office Tampa, Florida, where he served as Senior Investigating Officer and Chief of Waterways Management; the Marine Investigations and Analysis Division at Coast Guard Headquarters; and the Coast Guard Cutter WOODRUSH, home ported in Sitka, Alaska.

Rear Admiral Batson is 1987 graduate of Appalachian State University with a B.S. in Music Industry Studies. He enlisted in the Coast Guard in 1989 and attended QM "A" school immediately following Basic Training. He was commissioned in 1993 following graduation from Officer Candidate School. Rear Admiral Batson is a 1998 graduate of Troy University with Master of Public Administration degree; a 2014-2015 Seminar XXI Fellow in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Center for International Studies; and a 2016 graduate of the Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy at National Defense University, where he earned the Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy. He received his law degree (cum laude) in 2002 from the Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

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MAJOR GENERAL DAVID J. BLIGH

United States Marine Corps

Staff Judge Advocate to the Commandant

Major General Bligh was raised in Athens, Pennsylvania. He is a 1988 graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania and a 1997 graduate of the University of Georgia School of Law.

Major General Bligh was commissioned through the Platoon Leaders Course program in 1988. He initially served as a Platoon Commander and Company

Commander at 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. He later served as a Series Commander at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina.

Upon completion of the Naval Justice School, Major General Bligh served as a civil law officer, trial counsel, and officer-in-charge of legal assistance at Camp Lejeune. He was then assigned as Director, Joint Law Center, Marine Corps Air Station New River, North Carolina. During this assignment, Major General Bligh deployed for OIF -I with Task Force Tarawa.

Major General Bligh has served as the Staff Judge Advocate for 3rd Marine Division and III Marine Expeditionary Force in Okinawa, Japan, and Marine Corps Forces Command in Norfolk, Virginia. Prior to assuming his current duties, Major General Bligh served as the Deputy Staff Judge Advocate to the Commandant of the Marine Corps, and later as the Assistant Judge Advocate General of the Navy (Military Law).

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AMBASSADOR YOHANNES ABRAHAM

United States Ambassador to the Association of
Southwest Asian Nations

Yohannes Abraham was sworn in as U.S. Ambassador to the Association of Southwest Asian Nations on September 19, 2022.

Prior to assuming this position, Abraham served as Chief of Staff and Executive Secretary of the National Security Council (NSC). In this role, he oversaw NSC operations, the facilitation of the interagency national security policy process, the White House Situation Room, and planning for President Biden's diplomatic engagements at home and abroad.

Before joining the NSC, Abraham was the Executive Director of the Biden-Harris Transition. Reporting to Transition Co-Chairs Jeff Zients and Senator Ted Kauffman, Abraham was responsible for all aspects of transition planning and execution for the incoming administration. This included managing the national security, economic, and domestic policy planning teams, as well as the personnel process, including Cabinet selection.

Abraham served in several White House roles during the Obama-Biden Administration, including as Senior Advisor to the National Economic Council and as Deputy Assistant to the President for Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Engagement. Abraham has also worked in the Vanguard Group's global investment unit and taught at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

A native of Springfield, Virginia, Abraham holds a BA from Yale College and an MBA with High Distinction from Harvard Business School.

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BRIGADIER GENERAL ERWIN VICTORIANO A MACHICA III

Armed Forces of the Philippines

The Judge Advocate General

BGEN ERWIN VICTORIANO A MACHICA III JAGS is the 26th The Judge Advocate General, AFP (TJAG, AFP). He hailed from Barangay Sung-an, Mercedes Eastern Samar. He took up the Bachelor of Arts in Political Science at the Divine Word University of Tacloban. He finished his Bachelor of Laws (LLB) at the University of the East and was eventually conferred with the Juris Doctor (J.D.). He was

admitted to the Philippine Bar in 1997.

He started his military career in 1996. The previous positions he held include as Chief of International Law and Special Studies Division; Chief of Military Affairs Division; Chief of Military Justice Division; Chief of Prosecution, Professional and Legal Services Division, all at the Office of The Judge Advocate General. He also held the positions of Deputy The Judge Advocate General, and Deputy Army Judge Advocate. He was the Force Legal Adviser of the United Nation's Mission in Cote d'Ivoire (ONUCI) from 8 September 2009 to 25 October 2010. He was The Naval Judge Advocate (TNJA) prior to his assumption to his current position.

He was previously the Prosecutor and Defense Counsel of various GHQ General Courts Martials (GCM) and GHQ Efficiency and Separation Board (ESB), and the Law Members of GHQ GCM Nr 3; PA GCM Nr 1, Philippine Army ESB-D and Philippine Air Force ESB. He was once the Chairman, AFP Board of Review.

He is an alumnus of the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies (DILLS), New Port Rhode Island, USA, and a member of CGSC Class 57, and SECNS Class 12.

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