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Dr. Christopher J. Lamb joined the Institute for National Strategic Studies, National Defense University, in January 2004. He conducts research on national security strategy and policy, and U.S. defense strategy, requirements, plans and programs, and strategic military concepts. His research focuses on global military presence and capabilities-based planning.

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