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Colonel Charles D. Lutes, USAF, is Senior Military Fellow in the INSS Research Directorate, where he serves as a member of the Future Strategic Concepts group. In addition to defense planning and capabilities assessment, Col. Lutes focuses on the functional areas of global terrorism, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and interagency coordination. Col. Lutes' prior assignment was as chief of the Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) division under the J-5 Deputy Director for the War on Terror. He also served in J-5 as chief of the Strategic Plans Branch. Col. Lutes' expertise is in such areas as WMD proliferation, counter-terrorism, military planning, military strategy and strategic concept development.

He holds university degrees in engineering from Duke and the Air Force Institute of Technology, and was a National Security Fellow at the John F Kennedy School of Government at Harvard. He is also an ABD doctoral candidate in The George Washington University's Executive Leadership Program. Chuck has logged more than 3000 hours piloting C-5s and KC-135s and has commanded an operational support squadron. His major awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, and the Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster.