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***Strategic Re-Assessment:
From Long-Range Planning to Future Strategy and Forces
June 4-5, 2008***

The Institute for National Strategic Studies announces the 2008 Joint Operations Symposium. The objectives of this symposium are to examine long-range strategic assessments, to review our success at incorporating their key elements into strategic and operational plans, and to propose ways to institutionalize best practices into the processes for future force development and joint force planning.

Confirmed participants include:

General James Mattis, USMC, *NATO Supreme Allied Commander Transformation and Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command*

Admiral James G. Stavridis, USN, *Commander, U.S. Southern Command*

The Honorable Ryan Henry, *Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy*

Dr. Richard Danzig, *Sam Nunn Prize Fellow in International Security, CSIS & former Secretary of the Navy*

Lieutenant General John R. Wood, USA, *Deputy Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command*

Lieutenant General Wallace C. Gregson, Jr, USMC (Ret), *Former Commander, U.S. Marine Forces Pacific*

Lieutenant General Paul K. Van Riper, USMC (Ret), *former Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command*

Dr. Thomas G. Mahnken, *DASD for Policy Planning, Office of the Secretary of Defense*

Ms. Michèle A. Flournoy, *President and co-founder, Center for a New American Security (CNAS)*

Venue: The National Defense University's Fort Lesley J. McNair campus in Washington, DC.

Over 300 participants have registered from government, business, universities, and research institutes from the United States and abroad. The conference agenda is available by following this link. <http://www.ndu.edu/inss/symposia/joint2008/>.

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Unless noted by a speaker or moderator as "On the Record," the symposium will be conducted in accordance with NDU's non-attribution policy, which is available on the website with the conference agenda and registration form. Consistent with this policy, thematic summaries of the symposia proceedings are disseminated on the Web and in published form. Media are required to register, but can be exempted from the registration fee, though no meals are provided in this case.

Some speakers have agreed to speak with reporters. For further details or additional information on the symposium, contact the NDU Conference Directorate at 202-685-3857 or at ndu_conferences@ndu.edu.

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