

**AFGHANISTAN**

***Pathological counterinsurgency : the failure of imposing legitimacy in El Salvador, Afghanistan, and Iraq/ Samuel R Greene***

In the US policy community have suggested that El Salvador provided a model for US counterinsurgency operations in Iraq and Afghanistan based on the unsound contention that elections increased government legitimacy and effectiveness.

*Third World Quarterly : Vol.38, No.3, 2017, pp.563-579 (101)*

**ASIA PACIFIC**

***Unknowable, unknowables / Martin Streetly***

Airborne SIGINT in the Asia-Pacific region. The world of 2017 is likely to see an increasing emphasis on intelligence gathering of all types as the global community attempts.

*JED Journal of Electronic Defence : Vol 40, No 2, February 2017, pp.24-30 (70)*

***Create an Asia-Pacific combined maritime force/ Sean Patrick Quirk***

An international naval solution is needed to maintain peace and security in the Asia-Pacific

*Proceedings US Naval Institute : March 2017, pp.38-41 (86)*

***The China syndrome/ Alan Warnes***

There are over numerous sovereign states in the Asia Pacific but the shadow of the People's Republic of China (PRC) looms large over the most.

*Asian Military Review : Vol.25, Issue 1, February/March 2017, pp.20-36 (60)*

***Asia Pacific : annual defence report 2016***

The report covers North Korea's development testing of nuclear weapons and ballistic missiles, China's claims in the disputed South China Sea and a resurgent Taliban in Afghanistan, cross border firefights between India and Pakistan.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53 Issue. 50, 14 December 2016, pp.26-31 (122)*

***Asia Pacific naval power projection cooperation or confrontation/ Alix Valenti***

The number of Asia Pacific countries modernising their navies, also in the procurement and construction of aircraft carriers and landing helicopter docks within the programmes.

*Defence Review Asia : March-April 2017, Vol. 11, No. 2, pp.12- 15 (146)*

**AUSTRALIA**

***Programmes, operations : bringing Australia's defence white paper to life/ James Goldrick***

The article provides an update on how Australia's latest defence white paper is being put into effect and discusses a sea change in operational output for its navy

*IHS Jane's Navy International : Vol.121 Issue 10., December 2016, pp.14-15 (124)*

**CHINA**

***US carrier group begins routine operations in South China Sea/ Gabriel Dominguez***

China claims most of the SCS on the grounds that is asserting historic rights to maritime resources. The move is designed to reinforce freedom of navigation in the area in light of China's claims to the region.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.54 Issue 9, 01 March 2017, p. 4 (122)*

***China completing possible missile facilities in SCS/ Gabriel Dominguez***

China has nearly finished building almost two dozen structures on artificial islands in the disputed South China sea (SCS) that appear designed to house long ranged surface to air missiles.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.54 Issue 9, 01 March 2017, p. 14 (122)*

***China enhances PGZ-07 capability/ Christopher F Foss***

The PGZ-07 twin 35 mm SPAAG system has been upgraded with the installation of sensor pod.

*IHS Jane's International Defence Review: March 2017, Vol.50, p.18 (120)*

***Eastern promise : China grows unmanned capabilities/ Kelvin Wong***

China's unrelenting drive to develop its commercial and defence aerospace capabilities has also given rise to an increasingly diverse and sophisticated range of UAV technologies.

*IHS Jane's International Defence Review: March 2017, Vol.50, pp.52-57 (120)*

***China to bolster size and strength of navy, says PLAN'S former political commissar/ Andrew Tate***

China will increase the size of the people's liberation army navy and strengthen it further by expanding its personnel and improving its vessels.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.54 Issue 11, 15 March 2017, p.5 (122)*

## CHINA

***Russia and China : a new model of great-power relations/ Samuel Charap***

These two great powers treat each other as equals and prioritise positive-sum interactions. By accommodating each other's strategic interests they have achieved an effective partnership.

*Survival : Vol.59, No.1, February-March 2017, pp.25-42 (106)*

***Decoding China's maritime aspirations/ Sukjoon Yoon***

China's maritime policy is centered on the 21st century maritime silk road which aims to foster collaboration in Southeast Asia, Oceania and North Africa through the trades routes across the South China Sea.

*Proceedings US Naval Institute: March 2017, pp.44-48 (86)*

***Expansion of Chinese maritime power in the Indian Ocean : implications for India/ Shishir Upadhyaya***

This paper examines the ongoing expansion of China's maritime power in the Indian Ocean region and analyses its potential impact on the extant balance of Sino-Indian maritime power in the region.

*Defence Studies: Vol 17, No. 1, March 201, pp. 63-83 (105)*

***Re-conceptualizing China's rise as a global power : a neo-tributary perspective/ Su Yan Pan***

This paper's contributions arise from its theoretical implications. It has provided alternative analytical devices for understanding complex relationships and identifying fundamental relationships between phenomena.

*The Pacific Review : Vol.30, No.1, January 2017, pp.1-25 (103)*

***In search of the other in Asia : Russia-China relations revisited/ Elizabeth Wishnick***

This paper argues that Russia and China are partners of consequence and that the neglect of the normative dimension of the Sino-Russian relationship has led its impact on global governance to be undervalued and misunderstood.

*The Pacific Review : Vol.30, No.1, January 2017, pp.114-132 (103)*

***Militarism and the China model : the case of national defense education/ Christopher R Hugues***

Focusing on the role of militarism provides better insights into the way that social stability and political continuity.

*Journal of Contemporary China : Vol.26, No. 103, January 2017, pp.54-67 (102)*

***Expanding the dragon's reach : the rise of china's anti-access naval doctrine and forces/ Yves-Heng Lim***

This article shows the particular development of China's naval anti-access forces. It has argued over the last decade the development of Chinese naval forces has been primarily driven by a shift in China's naval doctrine emphasising anti access.

*The Journal of Strategic Studies : Vol 40, No. 1-2, February 2017, pp. 146-168 (98)*

## CHINA

***Catching controversy : China's maritime militia/ James Clad***

China expands its maritime reach using the world's largest fishing fleet as a surrogate. The operational range and size of the militia's vessels add new weight to China's territorial assertiveness in the South China Sea, where Beijing's islet reclamation and installation of dual-use military capable radars and airstrips continue space.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53 Issue. 51, 21 December 2016, p.24 (122)*

***Track changes : China expands light and medium AFV capability/ Christopher F Foss***

China has developed a complete range of light and medium tracked AFVs. First generation tracked AFVs were mainly used for the armoured personnel carrier (APV) role and were fitted with protected weapon station

*IHS Jane's International Defence Review: January 2017, Vol.50, p.40-45 (120)*

***China planning to vastly expand size of marine corps/ Gabriel Dominguez***

The government in Beijing is planning to boost the number of marines from about 20,000 to 100,000 indicating that some of troops would be stationed at the ports of China. The move to expand the marine corps is seen as part of China's military reforms aimed at streamlining and modernising.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.54 Issue 12, 22 March 2017, p.18 (122)*

***US rebalance to Asia and responses from China's research community/ Ren Xiao***

This article attempts to analyze China's responses to the U.S rebalance and the views which have a policy implication held by China's research community. The article highlights the Asia rebalance's economic pillar was the Trans-Pacific Partnership now dead under the trump administration. The TPP was initiated by four small countries, Singapore, Brunei, New Zealand and Chile.

*Orbis : Vol. 61, No.2, Spring 2017, pp. 238-254 (44)*

***Taking stock of China's growing navy : the death and life of surface fleets/ James R Holmes***

The article concludes long-held assumptions about American naval superiority are coming under mounting duress as the Chinese navy continues its transformation.

*Orbis: Vol.61 No.2, Spring 2017, pp. 269-285 (44)*

**CYBER*****BAE systems, IARPA to develop cyber attack prediction tools/ Geoff Fein***

BAE systems will develop new predictive methods that combine existing advanced intrusion detection capabilities with unconventional publicly available data sources, leveraging sources not associated with cyber security.

*IHS Jane's International Defence Review: December 2016, Vol.49, pp.26-27 (120)*

***Standard issues : UN body considers international cyber norms/ Tim Maurer***

This article examines the likelihood of major power agreeing on standards for cyber behaviour.

*Jane's Intelligence Review: December 2016, Vol.28, Issue.12, pp.52-53 (123)*

***Cumulative deterrence as a new paradigm for cyber deterrence/ Uri Tor***

The article criticizes the current discourse in the field common knowledge (mis)understandings of cyberspace and the ways it affects the possibility of deterrence.

*The Journal of Strategic Studies : Vol 40, No. 1-2, February 2017, pp. 92-117 (98)*

**CYBER OPERATIONS*****Incorporating offensive cyber operations into conventional deterrence strategies/ Michael Fischerkeller***

The objective of this article is to introduce approaches and frameworks for guiding the use of cyber weapons, henceforth referred to as offensive cyber operations in support of conventional deterrence by cost imposition in pre-crisis and crisis environments.

*Survival : Vol.59, No.1, February-March 2017, pp.103-134 (106)*

**CYBER ATTACK*****USN to prepare for last resort defence against cyber attack/ Geoff Fein***

US navy looks to protect its ships and submarines from cyber attacks to unplug vessels from the network.

*IHS Jane's International Defence Review: January 2017, Vol.50, p.24 (120)*

**CYBER DEFENCE*****Swarming-based cyber defence under the framework of collective security/ Metodi Hadji-Janev***

The main argument is to reduce the threat from cyberspace. This article proposes a possible solution that should be further developed.

*Security Journal : Vol 30, No 1 2017, pp.39-59 (48)*

**CYBER SECURITY*****Concerns persist with US cyber security/ Huw Williams***

The DOT&E undertakes cyber security evaluations of DoD acquisition programmes and was also directed by US congress to assess DoD networks and systems during combatant command.

*IHS Jane's International Defence Review: March 2017, Vol.50, p.32 (120)*

**CYBER THREAT*****US cyber threat intelligence sharing frameworks/ Scott E Jasper***

The analysis of processed data to identify threats and suitable countermeasures, and the dissemination of the analysis in the context of cyber threat information and indicators.

*International Journal of Intelligence and CounterIntelligence: Vol 30, No 1, Spring 2017, pp. 53-65 (117)*

**DISASTER*****Resilience and disaster risk reduction : reclassifying diversity and national identity in post-earthquake Nepal/ Lain Watson***

This paper discusses disaster resilience in the context of disaster risk reduction. Disaster risk management and disaster risk reduction are being used to create a specific form of national identity.

*Third World Quarterly : Vol.38, No.2, pp.483-504 (101)*

***Addressing challenges for future strategic level emergency management : reframing networking and capacity building/ Karyn Bosomworth***

This paper presents an analysis of five core challenges that pressures are creating for strategic-level emergency management. It argues that emphasising emergency management a primary adaption strategy is a retrograde step that ignores the importance of addressing socio-political drivers of vulnerabilities.

*Disasters: Vol.41 No.2, April 2017, pp.306-323 (23)*

**INDONESIA*****Jakarta to strengthen Japan, India ties to counter China***

Indonesia is seeking to strengthen ties with Japan and India as a means of counter-balancing China's growing assertiveness in the South China Sea.

*Asia Monitor South East Asia Vol.2 : Vol.28, Issue 4, April 2017, p.7 (49)*

**INDONESIA*****Indonesia signs contract with nexter for 18 additional CAESAR artillery systems/ Gabriel Dominguez***

A French army artillery system regiment signed contract to supply a further 18 CAESAR system to the Indonesian military.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.54 Issue 9, 01 March 2017, p.15 (122)*

***Australia seeks to mend Indonesian ties after military co-operation suspended/ Ridzwan Rahmat***

Canberra has taken steps towards mending military ties with Indonesia after the later's armed forces confirmed they were suspending all cooperation with their Australian counterparts.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.54 Issue 2, 11 January 2017, p.10 (122)*

***President Jokowi and the 2014 Obor Rakyat controversy in Indonesia/ Adam Tyson***

The 2014 presidential race in the world's third largest democracy was the most negative and polarizing since the fall of Suharto's authoritarian regime in 1998.

*Critical Asian Studies: Vol 49 No 1, March 2017, pp.117-136 (95)*

**JAPAN*****Abe's democratic security diamond and new quadrilateral initiative : an Australian perspective/ Lavina Lee***

This article argues that quadrilateral cooperation would complement Australia's existing bilateral and trilateral relationships with the United States and Japan, assist in the development of closer relations with India, and further Australia's strategic interests in the Indo Pacific.

*The Journal of East Asian Affairs: Vol 30 No.2, Fall/Winter 2016, pp.01-41 (35)*

***Japan's emerging trajectory as a 'cyber'power' : from securitization to militarization of cyberspace/ Paul Kallender***

This article argues that Japan has initiated a trajectory of assuming the role of a nascent cyber power.

*The Journal of Strategic Studies : Vol 40, No. 1-2, February 2017, pp. 118-145 (98)*

***Japan protests Chinese claim of interference in air exercise/ Julian Ryall***

Japan rejected the claims and lodged a protest with China. Japanese fighters did not approach the Chinese aircraft at close range, did not interfere with their operations and did nothing to threaten the safety of the Chinese craft.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53 Issue. 51, 21 December 2016, p.16 (122)*

**JAPAN*****Japan, South Korea sign preliminary intelligence-sharing agreement/ Julian Ryall***

Japan and South Korea have signed a preliminary pact to share military intelligence. The agreement will provide with additional information on North Korea's nuclear weapons and missile situation.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53, Issue 47, 23 November 2016, p.17 (122)*

***Shinzo Abe pushes hard on a regional agenda/ Stuart McMillan***

The article reviews the recent meeting Shinzo Abe, prime minister of Japan and Putin the leaders of Russia, the Philippines, Australia, Indonesia and Vietnam all have the potential to be significant for the whole Asia-Pacific region.

*New Zealand International Review: Vol 42 No 2, March/April 2017, pp.13-15 (82)*

***Missing manpower : how Japan's dwindling population impedes remilitarization/ Kenna Ugboaja***

The article discusses on the imperatives for an expanded military. The United states subsequently signed a security treaty with Japan permitting the United States to maintain permanent military bases on Japanese soil.

*Havard International Review : Vol.XXXVIII. No 2, Spring 2017, pp.16-18 (67)*

**MALAYSIA*****2017 : a year of political consolidation***

General elections must be held by mid 2018, Prime minister Najib Razak has hinted that they could be held earlier, and expect the various parties to begin preparing for the elections.

*Asia Monitor South East Asia Vol.2 : Vol.28, Issue 4, April 2017, pp.1-2 (49)*

***Malaysia, Philippines agree on 'hot pursuit' ops/ Ridzwan Rahmat***

The three countries will work to make a new standard operating procedure. The governments of Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines have been taking steps to counter the spate of kidnap-for-ransom cases in the Sulu sea and the Sulawesi-Mindanao tri-border maritime sea.

*IHS Jane's Navy International : Vol.121 Issue 10., December 2016, p.6 (124)*

**JAPAN****Malaysia defence procurements delayed yet again/ Dzirhan Mahadzir**

The article highlights the current financial situation does not permit Malaysia to make any significant procurement purchase. The main focus of the country for defence will be on maintaining and operating its existing equipment and where possible upgrading it.

*Defence Review Asia : March-April 2017, Vol. 11, No. 2, pp.18-20 (146)*

**MARITIME SECURITY****Cyber China : upgrading propaganda, public opinion work and social Maritime security in East Asia : peaceful coexistence and active defense in China's Diaoyu/Senkaku policy/ Liselotte Odgaard**

The article examines the strategy from the perspective of China's long standing official concepts of peaceful coexistence and active defence to access to what China implements in the Diaoyu/Senkaku dispute.

*Journal of Contemporary China : Vol.26, No. 103, January 2017, pp 118-133 (102)*

**MILITARY CONNECTORS****Military connectors for rugged applications/ Matthias Oetti**

The article highlights military standards connectors that the designs have been refined and battle-tested over time. The evolution military standards and the connectors closely match the demanding requirements of ruggedised systems and provide a number of options to support different needs.

*Electronics World: April 2017 Vol.123, Issue 1971, pp.46-48 (75)*

**MYANMAR****Rebel coalition launches attacks near Myanmar's border with China/ Anthony Davis**

Insurgents have launched co-ordinated attacks near the Myanmar-China border. The latest joint operation was aimed at army bases and police posts in several towns on or near the border with China.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53, Issue 48, 30 November 2016, p.14 (122)*

**NAVIES**

World navies : in review/ Eric Wertheim

This review of the world's navies presents snapshots of activities and developments. It is arranged by region with nations discussed.

*Proceedings US Naval Institute : March 2017, pp.64-77 (86)*

**NAVIES AND MARITIME LAW****Letter of the law : wrestling with law and national interest/ Geoffrey Till**

The legal frameworks that apply to the military use of the sea, discusses how navies should use them and assesses how navies do employ the frameworks for strategic advantage.

*IHS Jane's Navy International : Vol.121 Issue 9, November 2016, pp.14-19 (124)*

**NAVY****The commanders respond**

Proceedings asked the commanders of the world's navies the most difficult maritime challenge and how could the U.S navy better partner.

*Proceedings US Naval Institute : March 2017, pp.24-37 (86)*

**NEPAL****Terrorism as method in Nepali maoist insurgency, 1996-2016/ Thomas A Marks**

This article will argue that what has occurred in Nepal offers a significant illustration of the changing nature of insurgency specifically.

*Small Wars & Insurgencies: Vol. 28, No. 1, February 2017, pp. 81-118 (97)*

**NORTH KOREA****North Korea says missile launches practised hitting US bases in Japan/ Gabriel Dominguez**

The four ballistic missiles launched by North Korea landed within close to Japan's EEZ

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.54 Issue 11, 15 March 2017, p.5 (122)*

**North Korea to continue to enhance nuclear capabilities, says Kim Jong-Un/ Gabriel Dominguez**

North Korea will continue to enhance its military capabilities including the development of nuclear weapons.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.54 Issue 2, 11 January 2017, p.7 (122)*

**North Korea : how to stop Kim Jong Un/ Wendy Sherman**

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un has accelerated his country's rush toward nuclear weapons and intercontinental missiles. Time asked six experts why the problem is so urgent and so hard and what China and the U.S can do to solve it.

*Time: Vol 189, No.12, 03 April 2017, pp. 29-32 (135)*

**North Korea's nuclear threats and counter strategies? Samman Chung**

North Korea's nuclear weapons program and its ballistic missile programs have developed compelling capabilities that can potentially threaten South Korea. United States needs to reaffirm its commitment to provide and strengthen deterrence for South Korea using the full range of military capabilities.

*The Journal of East Asian Affairs: Vol 30 No.2, Fall/Winter 2016, pp.83-131 (35)*

**PAKISTAN*****Indo-Pakistani tensions escalate/ Rahul Bedi***

An attack on an Indian border camp, Tensions are on the rise between Pakistan and India.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53 Issue. 49, 07 December 2016, p.10 (122)*

***Insurgency and violent extremism in Pakistan/ Marvin G Weinbaum***

This article discusses domestic violence and regional strategic calculations have forced many of Pakistani's military and civilian leaders to reassess state policies dealing with terrorism and domestic extremism more broadly.

*Small Wars & Insurgencies: Vol. 28, No. 1, February 2017, pp. 34-56 (97)*

***Counter-insurgency in Pakistan : the role of legitimacy Anatol Lieven***

This article highlights on lesson of Pakistan's experience a reasonably numerous, well-armed and well-led military defending in legitimate state and enjoying sufficient support from the population is likely to defeat an insurgency.

*Small Wars & Insurgencies: Vol. 28, No. 1, February 2017, pp. 166-190 (97)*

***India, Pakistan escalate missile rivalry***

India and Pakistan are pursuing the development of new nuclear-capable missiles that risk further escalating tensions in South Asia and increasing the chance of a nuclear exchange.

*Arms Control Today: Vol. 47 No. 2, March 2017, pp.32-33 (5)*

***Reporting beyond the pale : UK news discourse on drones in Pakistan/ Mark Pope***

This article is concerned with both how cosmopolitanism emerges in UK news discourse on drones. It also provides a constructivist contribution to the literature on drones.

*Critical Studies on Terrorism: Vol 10, No 1, April 2017, pp. 138-161 (112)*

***Defending the borders/ Farhan Bokhari***

Pakistan's armed forces confront a second key challenge alongside the perennial of India, which they are now facing off through ties with China and acquisitions including nuclear weapons.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53, Issue 44, 02 November 2016, pp. 26-30 (122)*

***Pakistan's deadly grip on Afghanistan/ C Christine Fair***

United States rights its policies with respect to Pakistan. The United States launched operational enduring freedom in Afghanistan. In policy circles to reduce Pakistan's interests in Afghanistan to the relentless conflict it has pursued with India since the two countries became independent.

*Current History: April 2017, pp.136-141 (20)*

**PEACEKEEPING*****South Asian peacekeeping : regional possibilities/ Soumita Basu***

This article seeks to identify and examine ways in which South Asian expertise in peacekeeping may be a resource for regional cooperation in the peace and security arena.

*Round Table: Commonwealth Journal of International Affairs : February 2017, pp.71-78 (100)*

**PHILIPPINES*****Turning point/ Jon Grevatt***

Military modernisation in the Philippines is shifting direction as its new leader rearranges the country's security partnerships.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53 Issue. 51, 21 December 2016, pp.26-31(122)*

***ASIAN fury : rodrigo duterte and the populist backlash against globalization/ Richard Javad Heydarian***

This was globalization at its heyday as growing intra and inter regional trade coupled with the diffusion of technology, capital and free market values, congealed into a global wave.

*Harvard International Review : Vol.XXXVIII, No 2, Spring 2017, pp.36-41 (67)*

**SOUTH KOREA*****HHI launches south Korea's first 23,000-ton combat support ship/ Julian Ryail***

The vessel named Soyang is to become the largest support ship in the RoKN after it completes sea trials. Soyang will be able to simultaneously supply several ships and play a big role in increasing the RoKN's operational capabilities.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53 Issue. 49, 07 December 2016, p.19 (122)*

***The rocky way ahead : South Korea's position in Asia/ Shihoko Goto***

Korea finds itself in the middle of some of the biggest sources of tension in Asia, from the pervasive threat of neighboring North Korea to the rising nationalist rivalries across the region.

*Harvard International Review : Vol.XXXVIII, No 2, Spring 2017, pp.20-23 (67)*

**SOUTHEAST ASIA*****Trump victory spells uncertainty for Southeast Asia/ Jon Grevatt***

Southeast Asia has had mixed reactions to Trump's US election victory. Trump indicated that his administration would place less emphasis on Asian affairs and would call on regional allies to assume greater responsibility for their security.

*IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.53, Issue 46, 16 November 2016, p. 7 (122)*

***Malaysia, Philippines agree on 'hot pursuit' ops/ Ridzwan Rahmat***

*IHS Jane's Navy International: Vol.121 Issue 10, December 2016, p.6 (124)*

**TERRORISM*****Drones and the uninsurable security subjects/ Andre Barrinha***

This paper discusses how drones generate a radical dissociation between the intervener and the intervened that ultimately produces new security environments at the margins of the international systems.

*Third World Quarterly: Vol.38, No.2, 2017, pp.253-269 (101)*

***Countering insurgencies, terrorism and violent extremism in south Asia/ Shanthie Mariet D'Souza***

This article highlights on South Asia continues to remain a hotbed of various forms of extremism. Linkages with global jihad and movements that have rallied support to an anti-West platform have escalated their violence potential.

*Small Wars & Insurgencies: Vol. 28, No. 1, February 2017, pp.1-11 (97)*

***Just counterterrorism/ George M Clifford***

This article proposes the just counterterrorism model for shaping and assessing counterterrorism strategy and tactics that are comprehensive, effective and ethical.

*Critical Studies on Terrorism: Vol 10, No 1, April 2017, pp. 67-92 (112)*

**THAILAND*****Rising son : king's death exacerbates Thailand's turmoil/ Judith Jacob***

This article examines the likely outlook for stability and security. The focus on the precarious relationship between the country's political and military elites.

*Jane's Intelligence Review: December 2016, Vol.28, Issue.12, pp.34-37 (123)*

**UNITED STATES*****The phoenix of the pacific/ Julian Ubriaco***

The article highlights the United States consolidation of a substantial base of military and economic allies along the rim is likely its most successful bloc-forming effort outside Europe. The TPP was the United States final attempt to reassert its vision of a globalized, democratic, and capitalist pacific rim in the 21st century

*Harvard International Review: Vol.XXXVIII, No 2, Spring 2017, pp.6-8 (67)*

**UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES*****UAV-based IoT platform : a crowd surveillance use case/ Naser Hossein Motlagh***

This article discusses the potential of UAV's equipped with IoT devices in delivering IoT services from great heights. UAVs are used for environmental monitoring to monitor land pollution and industrial accidents.

*IEEE Communications Magazine: February 2017, pp.128-134*

**VIETNAM*****The development of Vietnam's sea-denial strategy/ Shang-Su Wu***

This article examines Vietnam's geostrategic circumstances to understand better its choice of sea-denial strategy. The United States and its allies vis-a vis China increase their military presence in the South China sea. The article discusses the effects of Vietnam's sea-denial strategy and the country's relevant military capabilities on the geostrategic situation.

*Naval War College Review: Vol 70 No 1, Winter 2017, pp.143-161 (F22)*

**WAR*****Resuming the great intra-Muslim war/ Jonathan Alexander Hoffman***

The future of DI'ISH and al-Qaida's Jabhat Fateh Al-Sham in Syria.

*Defense and Foreign Affairs Strategic Policy: 1 2017, pp.12-13 (22)*

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