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[HOW US LEADERSHIP OF THE GLOBAL ECONOMY AFFECTS STRATEGY](#)

[ECONOMICS SERIES #3]

By C. Richard Neu and Joel Hillison, released 1 October

How has the evolving economic landscape affected U.S. confidence in the global economic order, and what impact does this have on national security?

[RELATIONSHIPS MATTER: DON'T BE A TURKEY](#)

By Mary Foster, released 2 October

A oft-repeated saying is that "relationships matter" - but stresses of daily military life can get in the way, leading to greater problems down the road.

[WHITEBOARD: DOES BROADENING WORK?](#)

By WAR ROOM Editors, released 4 October

Six respondents tackle the question of U.S. tactical and strategic proficiency. What do you think? Respond with your own views and we'll post the best!

WEEK OF 8 OCTOBER 2018

[WAR FILMS: COOPERATION AND FRICTION BETWEEN THE MILITARY AND HOLLYWOOD](#)

By Ryan Wadle and Jacqueline E. Whitt, released 10 October

Presents how the military's historical relationship with Hollywood began as mutually beneficial, but has had its challenges over time.

[GOTLAND: A NORDIC DEFENSE DILEMMA](#)

By Jonny Lindfors, released 12 October

Following Russia's fait accompli in Crimea, another strategic area of greater significance sits largely undefended in Europe's 'High North.'

WEEK OF 15 OCTOBER 2018

[FOREIGN FIGHTERS ARE NOT FOREIGN TO INSURGENCIES](#)

By David Malet and Jacqueline E. Whitt, released 16 October

What drives one to become a foreign fighter, traveling to fight in another's insurgency while not necessarily being paid? Ideology? Something else?

THE CONNECTION BETWEEN PEACEKEEPING AND INCREASED SEX TRAFFICKING

By Carla Martinez Machain, Michael Flynn, and Sam R. Bell, released 17 October

Provides insights from a research effort into factors of peacekeeping missions that may drive increased sex trafficking and what could help counter it.

WHAT IT TAKES FOR COLONELS TO BE SUCCESSFUL (LEADER PERSPECTIVES)

By Wayne Eyre and Jacqueline E. Whitt, released 19 October

WAR ROOM welcomes Lieutenant General Wayne Eyre of the Canadian Armed Forces to discuss his perspectives on strategic leadership.

THE HALLOWEEN WHITEBOARD: CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

By WAR ROOM Editors, released 19 October

It's the "Night of the Living Dead Generals!" Who's your choice for the military leader you'd most like to bring back from the dead?

WEEK OF 22 OCTOBER 2018**TRIALS AND ERRORS IN INTEGRATING FEMALE SOLDIERS**

By Miranda Summers-Lowe and Jacqueline E. Whitt, released 23 October

What were the historical challenges of integrating women into the armed forces and what lessons do they provide for gender integration efforts now?

DEATH OF A GENERAL: EDWARD SIGERFOOS & LEADERS IN WAR

By George Schwartz, released 25 October

The story of BG Edward Sigerfoos from World War I illustrates how general officers should position themselves on the battlefield.

MILITARY MIGHT AND THE DEFENSE MARKETPLACE

By Jennifer Mittelstadt and Jacqueline E. Whitt, released 26 October

Has the promise of cost savings due to outsourcing been realized? Or, has the dependence on the private sector caused overall costs to increase?

WEEK OF 29 OCTOBER 2018**WHITEBOARD RESPONSE: DOES 'BROADENING' WORK?**

By WAR ROOM Editors, released 29 October

Provides the best reader responses to our question of how well Army efforts to provide 'broadening' opportunities to its officers helps them or the Army.

LEARNING ABOUT LEADERSHIP THROUGH THE CLASSICS (LEADER PERSPECTIVES)

By Christopher Cavoli and Jacqueline E. Whitt, released 30 October

WAR ROOM welcomes Lieutenant General Christopher Cavoli, Commander of U.S. Army Europe and Seventh Army, to discuss strategic leadership.

HALLOWEEN WHITEBOARD: THE UNDEAD GENERALS, PART 1**HALLOWEEN WHITEBOARD: THE UNDEAD GENERALS, PART 2**

By WAR ROOM Editors, released 31 October & 1 November

These two releases provided the reader responses providing the great deceased military leader they would want to resurrect to lead today's forces.

AMERICA IN VIETNAM: WHEN THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST GO WRONG

By Brian VanDerMark and Andrew A. Hill, released 2 November

How can incomplete information, unchallenged assumptions, lack of creative thinking, and short-sightedness lead to a series of poor decisions?

WEEK OF 5 NOVEMBER 2018**LOOKING BACK AT THE INTERMEDIATE-RANGE NUCLEAR FORCES TREATY**

By Grace Stettenbauer and Jacqueline E. Whitt, released 6 November

How did the Army respond as an institution after My Lai, and how does this horrific episode influence military professionalism today?

WHY WITHDRAW FROM THE INTERMEDIATE-RANGE NUCLEAR FORCES TREATY?

By Rob Farley and Jacqueline E. Whitt, released 7 November

A BETTER PEACE explores the history of the INF and the controversies and implications of withdrawing from it in a two-part podcast series.

NUCLEAR DECISION-MAKING AND NUCLEAR WAR: AN URGENT AMERICAN PROBLEM

By Louis René Beres, released 8 November

How has the environment changed concerning national decisions to use nuclear weapons, and what new challenges and risks does this pose?

WEEK OF 12 NOVEMBER 2018**REMEMBERING WORLD WAR I: A WHITEBOARD**

By WAR ROOM Editors, released 12 November

Our next Whiteboard asks readers their views of the most important insight about war or strategy gained from the study of World War I.

LEADING AND WINNING IN GREAT POWER COMPETITION (LEADER PERSPECTIVES)

By John Richardson and Jacqueline E. Whitt, released 13 November

31st Chief of Naval Operations discusses qualities necessary to lead in an environment of growing great power competition.

DRIVEN TO DISTRACTION: WHAT SENIOR LEADERS CAN DO TO IMPROVE FOCUS

By Amishi Jha and Buck Haberichter, released 14 November

Mindfulness training is being explored as a way to improve one's cognitive abilities; this podcast explains what it is, how it works, and its benefits.

INF TREATY WITHDRAWAL: THE CONGRESSIONAL ROLE

By Frank Jones, released 15 November

The Presidential decision to withdraw from the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty sparks a reflection on Congress' role in overseeing arms control.

DIRTY MONEY: DEVELOPMENT, MONEY LAUNDERING, & REAL ESTATE

By James Wright, released 16 November

Money laundering in real estate is a threat to political stability, as criminals and corrupt politicians move money to serve their own interests.

WEEK OF 19 NOVEMBER 2018**INFORMATION APOCALYPSE II: THIS TIME, IT'S PERSONAL**

By Mari Eder, released 21 November

Propaganda, information operations, and psychological operations are now flooding the information sphere, eroding our trust in institutions and each other.

JUST BE GRATEFUL: THANKSGIVING, 1789

By Andrew A. Hill, released 22 November

WAR ROOM commemorates George Washington's 1789 Thanksgiving Proclamation, establishing the first official day of Thanksgiving.

WEEK OF 26 NOVEMBER 2018**A.I. & THE URGENCY OF FINISHING FIRST**

By Sam White, released 27 November

Discusses how the pace of advances in Artificial Intelligence is threatening the Army's competitive advantage, and proposes what the Army should do about it.

"HISTORY TEACHES US" NOTHING: THE "LESSONS" OF HISTORY (PART 1)

By Con Crane, Jacqueline E. Whitt, and Andrew A. Hill, released 29 November

Three War College faculty discuss how history can be misused, often because of a profound misunderstanding of the meaning and purposes of history.

WEEK OF 3 DECEMBER 2018**JUDGES, NOT LAWYERS: THE "LESSONS" OF HISTORY (PART 2)**

By Con Crane, Jacqueline E. Whitt, and Andrew A. Hill, released 4 December

Three War College faculty continue their discussion about the lessons of history and the sometimes mistaken views of the roles of historians.

FIGHTING SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN WAR: CONTEXT MATTERS

By Anne-Kathrin Kreft, released 5 December

Reviews how the environment and social structures contribute to the problems of sexual violence during times of both conflict and peace.

DOCUMENTS CAN LIE, TOO: THE "LESSONS" OF HISTORY (PART 3)

By Con Crane, Jacqueline E. Whitt and Andrew A. Hill, released 7 December

This three-part series concludes with a discussion of how a historical mindset can help individuals sort out what information is valid or not.

WEEK OF 10 DECEMBER 2018**THE WAR ROOM HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE!**

By Jacqueline E. Whitt and Andrew A. Hill, released 10 December

Finding yourself stumped in the search for an appropriate gift for the national security professional in your life? We at WAR ROOM are here to help!

REMEMBERING WORLD WAR I: WHITEBOARD RESPONSE (PART 1)

REMEMBERING WORLD WAR I: WHITEBOARD RESPONSE (PART 2)

By WAR ROOM Editors, released 12 & 14 December

These two releases present the top reader responses on the most important insights about war or strategy gained from World War I.

WEEK OF 17 DECEMBER 2018

THE *SECOND* BEST FIELD ARMY COMMANDER -- A WHITEBOARD

By WAR ROOM Editors, released 17 December

This Whiteboard elicits reader responses to who is the 'second' best field Army commander ever and why -- including comparison with the best.

HOW WILL BREXIT IMPACT GLOBAL CYBERSECURITY?

By Anant Mishra, released 19 December

Brexit poses an important question -- are there ways to preserve cooperation in cybersecurity in the wake of severed international arrangements?

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