

**CHINA**

**'Dog-beating stick': General Zhang Aiping's contribution to the modernisation of China's nuclear force and strategy since 1977/ Lei Liu**

*Cold War History: Vol 18, No. 4, November 2018, pp.485-501*

This article is on the breakthrough of the development of strategic nuclear weapons and employment policy led by the second generation of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). By the middle 1980s, the Chinese military had successfully developed China's first generation of intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBM), submarine-launched ballistic missiles (SLBM), and communication satellites, which provided China with an elementary and limited second-strike capability.

**CYBER WARFARE**

**Cyber: A global weapon/ Angus Batey**

*Asian Military Review: Vol.26, Issue 8, December 2018, pp.22-26 (60)*

This article examines the state-owned cyber operations conducted by North Korea, Russia and China (PLAN's Unit 61398).

**DENUCLEARISATION**

**Extending new Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty is in America's National Security Interest/ Frank Klotz**

*Arms Control Today: Vol.49, No.1, January/February 2019, p.06-12 (5)*

On December 4, 2018, the United States officially declared that Russia's ongoing violation of the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty constitutes a material breach of the treaty and that the United States will suspend its obligations under the treaty in 60 days unless Russia returns to full and verifiable compliance. Viable alternatives are also discussed in this article.

**DENUCLEARISATION**

**The Guterres disarmament agenda/ Randy Rydell**

*Arms Control Today: Vol.49, No.1, January/February 2019, pp.20-25 (5)*

This article is on the disarmament agenda by UN Secretary-General António Guterres with an address at the University of Geneva on May 24, 2018. The article analyses three priorities of the agenda, the obstacles it faces and UN shortcomings in advancing the disarmament.

**After the INF Treaty, what is next?**

*Arms Control Today: Vol.49, No.1, January/February 2019, pp.26-29 (5)*

If the 1987 Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty collapses in 2019, the United States, key U.S. allies, and Russia will face critical questions of how to respond, including whether to develop and deploy new intermediate-range missile systems and whether to seek restraint measures to prevent a renewed missile race in Europe and beyond. More in this article.

**The nuclear test ban and the verifiable denuclearization of North Korea/ Lassina Zerbo**

*Arms Control Today: Vol.48, No.9, November 2018, pp.06-09 (5)*

On October 7, the U.S. Department of State issues a readout which indicates that Kim Jong Un "invited inspectors to visit the Punggye-ri nuclear test site to confirm that it has been irreversibly dismantled". Although the declared closure is welcomed, those present lacked the skills and equipment to confirm it. The author highlights that verification by Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty Organization is key to permanently ending nuclear test explosions in North Korea. More in this article.

**JAPAN**

**Political change in America and implications for the US-Japan alliance/ James L. Schoff**

*Asia-Pacific Review: Vol 25, No. 2, November 2018, pp.45-63*

This article examines the domestic political dynamics behind US president Donald Trump's 'America First' approach to trade and foreign policy, to understand better how long this strain of American economic nationalism might last and what it means for Japan's national security strategy.

**KOREA**

**The Trump-Kim Summit, Future Scenarios, and Japan's Policy toward the Korean Peninsula/ Narushige Michishita**

*Asia-Pacific Review: Vol 25, No. 2, November 2018, pp. 64-74*

This article covers the US-DPRK Summit Meeting and future scenarios, opportunities and risks for Japan, moving forward on Japan-North Korea talks and what's next for Japan.

**LEADERSHIP**

**Set the strategy and let the team succeed/ Lt. Gen. Aundre F. Piggee**

*Army Sustainment: January - March 2019, pp.04-05 (74)*

This interview stresses the philosophy of mission command is essential to drive improvement in logistics readiness. In this interview the Lt. Gen shares his mission command practice and the culture of mission command. Also in this issue of Army Sustainment it covers the sustainment of mission command.

**LEADERSHIP**

**Command climate and ethical behaviour/ Col Brian Kerl**

*Marine Corps Gazette: Vol.103, No.1, January 2019, pp.57-62 (71)*

This article is a study guided by the question; how do the Commandants describe a command climate that encourages ethical behaviour among marines? And, how does a commanding officer develop a command climate that promotes ethical behaviour among marines? To answer these questions, an interview approach was used with eight Marine Corps Commandants.

**MALAYSIA**

**Anwar's Rise, Fall and Rise Again: Tests in Malaysia's Succession/ Yang Razali Kassim**

*RSIS Commentary : No 196, 26 November 2018 (F31)*

While Prime Minister Mahathir rebuilds the country, his designated successor, Anwar Ibrahim, is laying the ground for the agreed political transition in about two years' time. The recent election in Anwar's party had, however, taken a surprising turn.

**MARITIME SECURITY**

**Submarine close encounters/ Tim Fish**

*Asian Military Review: Vol.26, Issue 8, December 2018, pp.06-09 (60)*

The burgeoning need for submarines in Asia Pacific is outstripping the region's capacity to produce them. The article discusses how the rapid expansion of China's People's Liberation Army Navy contributed to the submarine procurement race.

**UNITED STATES****From many, one/ Kathleen Burk***History Today: Vol 69, No. 1, January 2019, pp.30-37*

At the beginning of the 20th century, there were 16 empires of varying size and reach. At the end of the century, there was just one: the United States. How did this happen and what role did Britain play in smoothing America's path to global hegemony?

**WAR****Ethics and War: A Critical Intervention/ Thomas Gregory***Millennium: Vol.47, No.2 January 2019, p.309-320 (39)*

This article reviews three recent books on the ethics of war by Adil Ahmad Haque, Maja Zehfuss and James Eastwood. Defending more conventional accounts, Haque sets out to develop a normative framework that can be used to assess, clarify and refine the existing rules. Zehfuss and Eastwood, by contrast, argue that the invocation of ethics may work to legitimise, normalise and obscure the effects of this violence. This article suggests ways in which these texts might help to reinvigorate debates about ethics and war, opening up lines of inquiry that were previously foreclosed.

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