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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

2020 was a year replete with challenges, but the Stockton Center for International Law continued to expand our programs and scholarship to educate future leaders, practitioners, and scholars, and shape the trajectory of the international law of military operations. Our dedicated personnel seamlessly pivoted to virtual instruction and engagement worldwide, playing a critical role in the development of consequential and timely issues in the law.

We were closely involved with writing three military manuals: The San Remo Manual on International Law Applicable to Armed Conflicts at Sea, the Woomera Manual on the International Law of Military Space Operations, and the Commander’s Handbook on the Law of Naval Operations. These commentaries and restatements of international law are leading authorities on the operation of the Naval, Joint and Combined force.

Our former Chair and the founder of the Stockton Center, Professor Mike Schmitt, was named Professor Emeritus and continues his storied service to the Center as the Stockton Distinguished Scholar in Residence.

The Stockton Center welcomed the addition of a new maritime law team in 2020: Professor Raul (Pete) Pedrozo, Commander Michael Petta, USCG, and Lieutenant Commander (select) Cynthia Parmley, JAGC, USN. Prof Pedrozo was appointed the Howard S. Levie Professor of the Law and Armed Conflict after serving as the INDO-PACOM Deputy Staff Judge Advocate.

We were also honored to host three senior fellows: Brian Wilson, Deputy Director, U.S. Global Maritime Operational Response Coordination Center, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Professor Hitoshi Nasu of University of Exeter Law School and Captain Robert McLaughlin, RAN (ret.) of the University of New South Wales Canberra.

We look forward to further collaboration with armed forces, think tanks, and law schools to advance the progressive development of international law.

JAMES KRASKA
Chair and Charles H. Stockton Professor of International Maritime Law
MISSION

The Stockton Center for International Law (Stockton Center) is a department in the Center for Naval Warfare Studies that produces original analysis of international law and military operations to educate military leaders, intelligence and diplomatic communities, national decision makers, and international law practitioners and scholars. We shape legal interpretations affecting U.S. and partner nation forces throughout the world and major non-NATO Allies, such as Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Australia, and Thailand and other strategic partners, including Israel, Vietnam, and India.

2020 FACULTY AND STAFF

Professor James Kraska, Commander, U.S. Navy (ret.)
Chair and Charles H. Stockton Professor of International Maritime Law

Professor Raul "Pete" Pedrozo, Captain, U.S. Navy (ret.)
Howard S. Levie Professor of Law and Armed Conflict

Professor (Emeritus) Michael Schmitt, Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force (ret.)
Charles H. Stockton Distinguished Scholar in Residence

Lieutenant Colonel John Cherry, U.S. Marine Corps
Deputy Director and Military Professor of International Law

Commander David Lee, U.S. Navy
Associate Director of Maritime Operations and Military Professor of International Law

Commander David Dubay, U.S. Coast Guard
Military Professor of International Law

Commander Michael Petta, U.S. Coast Guard
Associate Director of Maritime Operations and Military Professor of International Law

Lieutenant Colonel Jeremy Davis, U.S. Air Force
Associate Director for Air, Outer Space, and Cyberspace Operations and Military Professor of International Law

Lieutenant Colonel Michael Rizzotti, U.S. Army
Associate Director for Law of Land Warfare, Military Professor of International Law

Lieutenant Colonel Durward Johnson, U.S. Army
Associate Director for Law of Land Warfare, Military Professor of International Law and Managing Editor, International Law Studies

Major Jonathan Griffith, British Army Legal Services
Military Professor of International Law
Squadron Leader Kieran Tinkler, Royal Air Force
Military Professor of International Law

Major Heather Tregle, U.S. Army
Military Professor of International Law

Lieutenant Commander (Select) Cynthia Parmley, U.S. Navy
Military Professor of International Law

John Hursh
Managing Editor, International Law Studies

Captain Arthur Thomas, U.S. Navy (ret.)
Senior Editor, International Law Studies
EDUCATE AND DEVELOP FUTURE LEADERS

The Stockton Center taught our annual three-course series comprising the NWC International Law Area of Study (AOS) in the Electives program, consisting of: (1) Law of Armed Conflict; (2) Maritime Security Law; and (3) Law of Air, Space, and Cyber Operations. Stockton Center faculty also supported the international law curriculum in the core curriculum, including the Joint Military Operations Department and other electives at the Naval War College. Additionally, the Stockton Center engaged in educational outreach to external U.S. and international military and defense institutions, such as NATO Centers of Excellence.

LAW OF ARMED CONFLICT

This elective addressed a range of legal issues facing commanders and their staffs in planning and executing military operations in accordance with the law of armed conflict, including the principles of necessity, proportionality, distinction, and humanity. Topics included the history, development, and sources of the law; classification of armed conflicts, jus ad bellum (i.e., states resort to use of force), targeting and means and methods of warfare, technology in warfare, rules of engagement, war crimes and command responsibility, detention operations, and persons on the battlefield.

MARITIME SECURITY LAW

This elective provided an in-depth understanding of how oceans law affects—and often shapes—maritime security, the exercise of sea power and naval operations in peacetime and during armed conflict. Topics included the law of the sea, freedom of navigation and overflight, the law of naval warfare, and regional issues, such as the Arctic region and the South China Sea. The course also explored maritime interdiction of weapons of mass destruction, UN sanctions enforcement, and submarine cables, undersea operations, and seabed warfare.

LAW OF AIR, SPACE, AND CYBER OPERATIONS

This elective examined key areas of international law in the airspace, outer space, and cyberspace applicable in military operations during peacetime and in armed conflict. Topics included state responsibility, sovereignty, airspace regulation (including exclusion and identification zones), use of force and armed attack in cyberspace, economic targeting, autonomous weapons, and the intersection of international humanitarian law and human rights law.
With the challenges presented in 2020, the Stockton Center seamlessly collaborated in a virtual environment, hosting numerous bilateral and multilateral conferences, workshops and engagements on emergent issues drawing many of the world’s leading international law experts.

Contemporary Challenges in International Maritime Law
7 January 2020
In Delhi, India, the Stockton Center co-sponsored an international dialogue with the Indian National Maritime Foundation and the National Security Council of India. Topics included peacetime law of the sea and law of naval warfare associated with China conflict scenarios, autonomous ships and weapons, cyber law, outer space law, and international law concerning AI and hypersonic weapons. This event addressed how associated legal and policy issues impact military operations and USINDOPACOM strategy.

Emerging Technology and the Law of the Sea
20-21 January 2020, Session 1 (in Newport, RI) and 10-11 December 2020, Session 2 (virtual)
The Stockton Center co-hosted, with the Korea Maritime Institute, a two-day writer’s workshop for contributors to a monograph of the same title to be published by Cambridge University Press. The volume explores topics applicable to autonomous ships, submarine cables, and energy production at sea, among other issues.

Civilian Casualties: The Law of Prevention and Response
30 September - 18 November 2020
The Stockton Center co-sponsored a series of six virtual workshops addressing civilian casualties, great power competition, and the law of prevention and response. Lieutenant General Charles Pede, The Judge Advocate General of the Army, served as the opening keynote speaker. The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, West Point Lieber Institute for Law and Land Warfare, American Society of International Law, American Red Cross, and International Committee of the Red Cross, also co-sponsored the event.

Counter Proliferation of WMD in Maritime Security Operations
20-22 October 2020
The Stockton Center, in coordination with the NATO Maritime Security Centre of Excellence (MARSEC COE), taught a three-day course entitled "Counter Proliferation of WMD in Maritime Security Operations." Twenty-three guest lecturers from ten countries, a mix of academic, military, and civilian maritime security experts, participated in the three-day course, teaching over two dozen international mid-grade military officers. The course united maritime security experts and practitioners from Australia, Japan, India, Pakistan, Turkey, Greece, Czech Republic, Poland, United Kingdom, and the United States, providing an engaging platform for the Stockton Center to continue its mission to advance and inform global maritime policy, law, and operations.

Law of Armed Conflict and Great Power Competition
28 October 2020
The Stockton Center and the College of Maritime Operational Warfare at the U.S. Naval War College co-sponsored an online workshop addressing the law of armed conflict and the protection of civilians in great power conflict. Other co-sponsors included United States Army National Security Law Division, Center for Civilians in Conflict, and Emory Law School.

Disruptive Technologies and International Law
7-9 December 2020
The Stockton Center hosted “Disruptive Technologies and International Law,” a three-day virtual conference, which was the flagship event of the Naval War College to explore international law and multi-domain warfare. The Royal Air Force Directorate Legal Services, West Point Lieber Institute for Law and Land Warfare, United States Army National Security Law Division, United States Air Force Academy, and the Yale Law School Paul Tsai China Center co-sponsored the conference. Over five hundred individuals, including scholars and military officers from thirty-one countries, participated in the event.
STOCKTON SEMINARS

The Stockton Seminar Series highlights discrete areas of the law, particularly those addressing current and emerging technologies. Presentations for the seminar series are drawn from issues across the government and academic international legal communities.

Law of Armed Conflict in Outer Space
13 May 2020
The Stockton Center hosted a webinar on the Law of Armed Conflict in Outer Space. The panel consisted of Professor Jack Beard, University of Nebraska College of Law, Hitoshi Nasu, University of Exeter Law School, and Frans von der Dunk, University of Nebraska College of Law. The panel was moderated by Squadron Leader Tinkler, RAF. Squadron Leader Tinkler was one of twenty experts from around the world drafting the "Woomera Manual on the Law of Armed Conflict in Outer Space," which is similar to the San Remo Manual and the Tallinn Manual. Over ninety individuals attended the session worldwide.

Indo-Pacific Maritime Security
3 June 2020
The Stockton Center hosted a webinar addressing key issues in the Indo-Pacific theater such as the Indian Navy's approach to operational maritime law, security threats in the Indian Ocean and South China Sea, and legal issues arising under the law of the sea and how these issues might affect the stability and order of the Indian Ocean. The panel consisted of Captain Sarabjeet Parmar, INS, Executive Director, National Maritime Foundation, Dr. Bimal Patel, Director General, National Security University of India, and Commander Anand Kumar, INS, Deputy Director, National Maritime Foundation. VADM Pradeep Chauhan, Director General, National Maritime Institute, served as moderator. Over two hundred individuals attended the session worldwide.

The International Criminal Court: Emerging Legal and Policy Issues for the United States
9 Sept 2020
The Stockton Center hosted a webinar exploring emerging issues related to the legal framework of the International Criminal Court (ICC) applicable to non-member states such as the United States. The panel also discussed U.S. policy toward the Court, including the recent Executive Order 13928 of June 11, 2020. The panel included Ambassador-at-Large for Global Criminal Justice Morse Tan, and Stanford Law professor Beth Van Schaack. Professor Laura Dickinson from George Washington Law School served as moderator. Over ninety attendees from nine countries attended the session.

Stranded: The Plight of the Seafarers During the Pandemic
21 October 2020
The Stockton Center hosted a webinar addressing the global seafarers' humanitarian crisis caused by the coronavirus pandemic stranding hundreds of thousands of seafarers on ships and ashore. The panel consisted of Frederick Kenney, Director, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, International Maritime Organization (IMO), and Douglas B. Stevenson, Director, Center for Seafarers' Rights, the Seamen's Church Institute. Brian Wilson, Deputy Director, U.S. Global Maritime Operational Threat Response Coordination Center, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Department of Homeland Security served as moderator. Over one-hundred individuals from eleven countries attended the session.

Autonomy: International Law Issues During Peace and Conflict
24 November 2020
The Stockton Center hosted a webinar exploring international law issues related to the development and use of autonomous systems across the conflict spectrum from peacetime to international armed conflict. The panel included Dr. Rain Liivoja, University of Queensland School of Law, Professor Eric Talbot Jensen, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, and Professor Michael Schmitt, University of Reading Law School and Stockton Distinguished Scholar in Residence. Mr. Michael Meier, Special Assistant to the Judge Advocate General of the Army for Law of War Matters served as moderator. One hundred individuals from seventeen countries attended the session.
PUBLICATIONS

The Stockton Center faculty and scholars wrote and edited books and articles that shaped and influenced international law affecting military operations.

Professor James Kraska, Commander, U.S. Navy (ret.)
Chair and Charles H. Stockton Professor of International Maritime Law


Professor Raul “Pete” Pedrozo, Captain, U.S. Navy (ret.)
Howard S. Levie Professor of the Law and Armed Conflict

DPRK Maritime Sanctions Enforcement, 96 International Law Studies 98 (2020)

The Indo-Pacific under a Second Trump Administration, 9 Dashline (Sept. 28, 2020)

China’s Threat of Force in the Taiwan Strait, LAWFARE (Sept. 29, 2020)

The Right of Transit Passage Through International Straits, LAWFARE (Dec. 22, 2020)

Professor (Emeritus) Michael Schmitt, Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force (ret.)
Charles H. Stockton Distinguished Scholar in Residence


Finland Sets Out Key Positions on International Cyber Law, Just Security (Oct. 27, 2020)
Lieutenant Colonel John Cherry, U.S. Marine Corps  
Deputy Chair and Military Professor of International Law

The U.S. Landmine Policy Complies with International Law, ARTICLES OF WAR  
(Nov. 6, 2020) (with Durward Johnson and Heather Tregle)

Lieutenant Colonel Durward Johnson, U.S. Army  
Associate Director for Land Warfare Operations and Military Professor of International Law

Iranian Gunboat Harassment and the Rules of Engagement, JUST SECURITY  
(May 7, 2020) (with Michael Schmitt)

Some Synthetic Biology May Not Be Covered by the Biological Weapons Convention, LAWFARE  
(May 14, 2020) (with James Kraska)

Enhancing Biowarfare Defense, LAWFARE  
(July 6, 2020) (with James Kraska)

The UN Soleimani Report and the US Article 51 Notification, ARTICLES OF WAR  
(Sep. 24, 2020)

The U.S. Landmine Policy Complies with International Law, ARTICLES OF WAR  
(Nov. 6, 2020) (with John Cherry and Heather Tregle)

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and its Limited Impact on the Legality of their Use, JUST SECURITY  
(Dec. 7, 2020) (with Heather Tregle)

The Duty to Investigate War Crimes under International Law, ARTICLES OF WAR  
(Dec. 22, 2020) (with Michael Schmitt)

Lieutenant Colonel Jeremy Davis, U.S. Air Force  
Associate Director for Airspace, Outer Space, and Cyberspace Operations

Bilateral Defense-Related Treaties and the Dilemma Posed by the Law of Neutrality, HARVARD NATIONAL SECURITY JOURNAL  
(June 19, 2020)

"You Mean They Can Bomb Us?" Addressing the Impact of Neutrality Law on Defense Cooperation, LAWFARE  
(Nov. 2, 2020)
Commander Michael Petta, U.S. Coast Guard  
Associate Director for Maritime Operations and Military Professor of International Law  
Cybersecurity at Port Facilities: Making Rules Requires Rulemaking, CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY (CIMSEC) (Nov. 13, 2020)

Squadron Leader Kieran Tinkler, Royal Air Force  
Military Professor of International Law  
War in Space: How International Humanitarian Law Might Apply, JUST SECURITY (Mar. 9, 2020) (with Michael Schmitt)

Major Heather Tregle, U.S. Army  
Military Professor of International Law  
The U.S. Landmine Policy Complies with International Law, ARTICLES OF WAR (Nov. 6, 2020) (John Cherry and Durward Johnson)  

Professor Robert McLaughlin, Australian National University  
Stockton Senior Fellow  
Recognition of Belligerency and the Law of Armed Conflict (Oxford 2020)  

A Typology of State Relationships with the Rules Based Order: The Case of Russia, 7 NATIONAL SECURITY LAW JOURNAL 158 (2020)
An Incident in the South China Sea, 96 INTERNATIONAL LAW STUDIES 505 (2020)
Fundamental Guarantees, in OXFORD GUIDE TO INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW (Dapo Akande and Ben Saul eds., 2020)
Whether Recognition of Belligerency?, ARTICLES OF WAR (Sep. 17, 2020)
The Final Frontier of Cyberspace: Ensuring that Submarine Data Cables are Able to Live Long and Prosper (Part I), OPINIO JURIS (Oct. 16, 2020) (co-author)
The Final Frontier of Cyberspace: Ensuring that Submarine Data Cables are Able to Live Long and Prosper (Part II), OPINIO JURIS (Oct. 16, 2020) (co-author)

Brian Wilson, Captain, U.S. Navy (ret.)  
Stockton Senior Fellow  

Professor Hitoshi Nasu, University of Exeter University Law School  
Stockton Senior Fellow  
The Global Security Agenda: Securitization of Everything?, in THE OXFORD HANDBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL LAW OF GLOBAL SECURITY (Robin Geiss and Nils Melzer eds., 2020)
Japan’s Legal Readiness in the Event of Hostilities on the Korean Peninsula, in Strengthening the U.S.-Japan Alliance (Masahiro Kurosaki and Matthew C Waxman eds., forthcoming 2020)

Artificial Intelligence and the Obligation to Respect and to Ensure Respect for International Humanitarian Law, in Ensuring Respect for International Humanitarian Law (Eve Massingham and Annabel McConnachie eds., 2020)

A Threat or a Warning: Russia’s Weapons Testing in Space, Just Security (July 31, 2020) (co-author)

NATO Recognizes Space as an “Operational Domain”: One Small Step Toward a Rule-Based International Order in Outer Space, Just Security (March 4, 2020)

John Hursh
Managing Editor, International Law Studies

Sudan Takes Two Big Steps Toward Normalizing Relations: USS Cole and Bashir, Just Security (Feb 21, 2020)

Let’s Make a Deal: How to Mitigate the Risk of Hypersonic Weapons, Just Security (May 6, 2020)


THE COMMANDER’S HANDBOOK ON THE LAW OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

The Stockton Center, as the Primary Review Authority for The Commander’s Handbook on the Law of Naval Operations, NWP 1-14M, began the revision process to update the publication in 2020. The Stockton Center, representing the NWC, led a comprehensive revision process of the multi-service publication with stakeholders that included OPNAV N3/N5, Navy OJAG Code 10, HQ USMC, HQ USCG, EUCOM, and INDOPACOM.

The Commander’s Handbook is a critical guide on the law of war and law of the sea and required updates due to changes in US policy and practice in maritime operations since publication in 2017. In December 2020, the Stockton Center submitted the NWP 1-14M to Navy Warfare Development Command (NWDC) to initiate the formal revision Armed Services Review process, which is anticipated to be complete in 2021.

CONFERENCE ON OCEANS LAW & POLICY

In 2020, the Stockton Center acquired responsibility from the University of Virginia School of Law for conducting the annual Conference on Oceans Law & Policy, the premier oceans law conference in the world. Through the annual Conference on Oceans Law & Policy, the Stockton Center will promote interdisciplinary interaction with ocean-related legal and public policy issues at all levels, addressing international, national, regional, and state concerns. The 44th annual Oceans Law & Policy Conference will be hosted in Tokyo, Japan in 2021.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

The Stockton Center faculty are active in military, professional, and academic service within the Naval War College and beyond.

Professor James Kraska
- Visiting Professor of Law and John Harvey Gregory Lecturer on World Organization, Harvard Law School
- Visiting Professor, College of Law, University of the Philippines, Manila
- Permanent Member, Council on Foreign Relations
- Editor-in-Chief, International Law Studies (U.S. Naval War College)
- Board of Editors, Indonesia Yearbook of International Law
- Board of Editors, RUSI Journal (Royal United Services Institute)
- Board of Editors, Marine Policy (Elsevier)
- Board of Editors, Brill Research Perspectives in the Law of the Sea (Martinus Nijhoff)
- Board of Editors, Texas National Security Review
- Board of Editors, International Journal of Marine and Coastal Law (Martinus Nijhoff)
- Board of Editors, Asia-Pacific Journal of Ocean Law & Policy (Martinus Nijhoff)
ACADEMIC SERVICE (cont.)

Professor James Kraska (cont.)
- Editorial Board, Naval War College Review
- Editorial Board, Benedict’s Maritime Bulletin
- Board of Editors, Indonesia Yearbook of International Law
- Editorial Board, South Asian Journal of International Law
- International Group of Experts, San Remo Manual on the Law Applicable to Armed Conflicts at Sea
- Distinguished Fellow, Law of the Sea Institute, UC Berkeley School of Law
- Senior Fellow, Center for Oceans Law & Policy, University of Virginia Law School
- Senior Fellow, Center for National Security Law, University of Virginia Law School
- National Board of Advisers, The Alexander Hamilton Society
- Senior Fellow, Foreign Policy Research Institute, Philadelphia, PA

Professor Raul “Pete” Pedrozo
- International Group of Experts, San Remo Manual on the Law Applicable to Armed Conflicts at Sea

Professor (Emeritus) Michael Schmitt
- Director, Tallinn 3.0, The International Law of Cyber Conflict, NATO Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence
- Co-Director, The Hague Process, Executive Education in Cyber Law Capacity-Building, Governments of Netherlands, Australia, Singapore, USA, as well as the Organization of American States and Organization of Security and Cooperation in Europe and various contributing and host governments
- Secretary of State’s Advisory Committee on International Law
- Francis Lieber Distinguished Scholar, USMA at West Point
- United States Council on Foreign Relations Life Member
- Honorary Professor, Strategy and Security Institute, University of Exeter
- Distinguished Scholar, Strauss Center for International Security and Law, University of Texas
- Senior Fellow, NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Center of Excellence
- Advisory Board, Cyber Peace Institute
- Affiliate, Program in International Law and Armed Conflict, Harvard Law School
- Fellow, Royal Society of the Arts (FRSA)
- Research Associate, Hebrew University Cyber Law Program
- Advisory Board, Institute for International Peace and Security, Cologne University
- Board of Directors, International Society for Military Law and the Law of War
- Founding General Editor, Lieber Studies, Oxford University Press
- Editor Emeritus, International Law Studies
- Editorial Board, International Review of the Red Cross
- Editorial Board, Just Security.org
- Board of Recommendation, Yearbook of International Humanitarian Law
- Editorial Board, Journal of International Peacekeeping
- Advisory Board, Journal of Military Ethics
ACADEMIC SERVICE (cont.)

Professor (Emeritus) Michael Schmitt (cont.)
• Advisory Board, *International Humanitarian Law Series*, Brill
• Advisory Board, *Journal of International Humanitarian Legal Studies*
• Editorial Board, *Journal of Law and Cyber Warfare*
• Editorial Council, *Estonian Journal of Military Studies*
• Editorial Board, *Texas National Security Review*

Brian Wilson, Stockton Senior Fellow
• Visiting Professor, U.S. Naval Academy: Piracy, Maritime Terrorism and the Law of the Sea
• Visiting Professor, Tbilisi State University Law School: Maritime Security and the Law of the Sea
• Legal advisor to the Global Counterterrorism Forum’s Maritime Security and Countering Terrorist Travel Initiative

Lieutenant Colonel John Cherry
• Associate Editor, *International Law Studies*
• Search Committee, Howard S. Levie Chair, Stockton Center for International Law
• President, U.S. Group of the International Society of Military Law and the Law of War
• Instructor, Targeting, Unmanned Systems, and the Law of Armed Conflict, U.S. Naval War College

Lieutenant Colonel Jeremy Davis
• Associate Editor, *International Law Studies*

• Naval War College representative on the advisory board of the Cyber Law Toolkit
• Instructor, Cyber Operations and International Law, U.S. Naval War College

Lieutenant Colonel Durward Johnson
• Search Committee, Howard S. Levie Chair, Stockton Center for International Law
• Managing Editor, *International Law Studies*
• Advisory Committee, Handbook of WWII Pacific, U.S. Naval War College
• Instructor, Economic Targeting, U.S. Naval War College

Commander Michael Petta
• Associate Editor, *International Law Studies*
• Article 32 Preliminary Hearing Officer
• USCG legal and policy advisor for the assessment of Boston Light, the nation’s oldest manned Light Station

Squadron Leader Kieran Tinkler
• Associate Editor, *International Law Studies*

Major Heather Tregle
• Associate Editor, *International Law Studies*

Lieutenant Cynthia Parmley
• Associate Editor, *International Law Studies*
ENGAGEMENT CALENDAR

The Stockton Center maintained a busy engagement calendar throughout 2020.

JANUARY
- Professor Kraska and LtCol Cherry presented to government and academic audiences at the National Maritime Foundation’s Dialogue on International Maritime Law in New Dehli, India on three major topics: Maritime Security Law, Law of Naval Warfare, and Autonomous Systems and the Use of Force

- Professor Kraska, LtCol Cherry, and Mark Rosen, Senior VP and Legal Counsel for CNA, conducted a seminar on international law of autonomous vessels in war and peace at the Indian National Security Council

- Professor Kraska met Michi Harada, Japan Consul in Mumbai, India to discuss trilateral Japan-US-India strategic priorities, evolution of US-India engagement and how India can contribute to the US-Japan alliance

- Professor Kraska engaged in seminar discussions with the Gateway House Indian Council on Global Affairs concerning emerging naval technology in cyber, outer space, undersea warfare and AI, and how it will transform INDIOPACOM politics, and how international law can address these changes to enhance regional security

- Professor Kraska conducted an interview with the South China Morning Post about the South China Sea

- Professor Kraska commenced teaching his course, “International Law of the Sea” at Harvard University Law School

- LtCol Cherry presented the “Senior Practitioner Lecture” at the Naval Justice School, discussing various issues with the students to include the law of armed conflict, targeting, the role of the deployed legal advisor, and judge advocate support to commanders and mission accomplishment

FEBRUARY
- Squadron Leader Tinkler participated in a plenary session of the group of experts to the Woomera Manual on the International Law of Military Space Operations in Canberra, Australia

- LtCol Cherry attended Southwestern School of Law’s symposium titled, “Fighting in the Law’s Gaps,” and served as a moderator and panelist, discussing issues such as autonomous cyber operations and lethal autonomous weapons systems and the rules of engagement

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by the South China Morning Post about the U.S. Freedom of Navigation program

- Professor Clive Schofield, Head of Research at the WMU-Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute, World Maritime University (WMU) in Malmö, Sweden, conducted a master class on maritime boundary delimitation for Stockton professors and other U.S. Navy and government attorneys
ENGAGEMENT CALENDAR (cont.)

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt delivered the keynote address at the 25th Annual Conference of Duke University’s Law, Ethics, and National Security Center in Durham, North Carolina

• LtCol Cherry and Squadron Leader Tinkler traveled to Yale University’s Paul Tsai China Center to conduct expert meetings and participate in a panel concerning lethal autonomous weapons systems and international law

• Professor Kraska participated in a scoping meeting with the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence regarding a paper and legislative proposal being prepared to respond to questions by Congress about law of armed conflict and autonomous weapons

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt delivered the 17th Annual Ruth Steinkraus-Cohen Law Lecture for the UN Association (UK) in London

• Professor Kraska participated in a Heritage Foundation and Sasakawa Peace Foundation tabletop exercise on the role of Taiwan in US-Japan alliance security, delivering a presentation on the use of force in international law

MARCH

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt spoke about the law of offensive cyber operations at the Annual Cyber Command Legal Conference, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt delivered the keynote address at the Harvard Journal of National Security at Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Massachusetts

• Professor Kraska was interviewed for Zing News Vietnam concerning the US aircraft carrier port visit to Vietnam and the legal aspects of the Freedom of Navigation Program

• LtCol Cherry served as a presenter at the Graduate Institute of Geneva’s Expert Meeting on War Crimes in the Age of Autonomous Weapons and Artificial Intelligence, in Geneva, Switzerland

• LtCol Cherry, LTC Rizzotti, and John Hursh addressed the law of prevention and response regarding civilian casualties at a workshop sponsored by the American Society of International Law in Washington, DC

• The Stockton Center hosted a master class with Royal Air Force Group Captain Stephen Wetton. Topics included international law and conflict at sea, the legal status of lethal autonomous weapon systems, and conduct of hostilities and space operations

• CDR Dubay attended the Arctic Shipping Summit in Montreal, Canada, and engaged on legal and policy issues with key government and industry stakeholders including ship-owners, ship-managers and associated solution providers, coastguards and governmental transport authorities, meteorologists, consultants, and technology providers
ENGAGEMENT CALENDAR (cont.)

APRIL

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt was appointed Professor of Law at the University of Reading, United Kingdom

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt conducted a global webinar for the Cyber Peace Institute, entitled, “COVID-19 Infodemic: Defending the Health Sector - How Cyber Operations Transgress International Laws and Norms”

- LtCol Cherry presented a lecture on legal issues and unmanned systems to the “Unmanned Systems and Conflict in the 21st Century” elective at the Naval War College

- Professor Kraska was approached by congressional staff members for Jim Bank (R-IN) and Ann Wagner (R-MO) to discuss his article in War on the Rocks on China and the law of state responsibility for violations of the International Health Regulations that exacerbated the COVID-19 pandemic

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by media outlets in Portugal, Australia, Italy and Vietnam, over his article in War on the Rocks on China and the law of state responsibility for violations of the International Health Regulations that exacerbated the COVID-19 pandemic

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Anadolu Agency (public news agency of Turkey) concerning his article in War on the Rocks suggesting that China was legally liable in international law for its failure to adhere to the International Health Regulations

MAY

- LtCol Cherry participated in a virtual workshop hosted by the Center for a New American Security (CNAS) to review draft principles for guided munitions with autonomous functionalities and autonomous weapons systems

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt conducted a half day webinar for attorneys and policy officials from the Australian Department of Defence, Australian Defence Force, Department of Foreign Affairs, and other Australian government agencies concerned with cyber operations and policies

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Voice of Vietnam concerning legal issues in the South China Sea

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Ho Chi Minh City Law Newspaper concerning legal aspects of the increase in Chinese activity in the South China Sea


- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Anadolu Agency (public news agency of Turkey) concerning his article in War on the Rocks suggesting that China was legally liable in international law for its failure to adhere to the International Health Regulations
ENGAGEMENT CALENDAR (cont.)

• Professor Kraska did a television interview on legal aspects of China’s establishment of new administrative districts in the Paracel Islands with Voice of Vietnam

• Professor Kraska delivered a presentation on the legal regime of the South China Sea in a Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) webinar

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by Defense News concerning the legal transit regimes for Russia’s Northern Sea Route in the Arctic Ocean

• Professor Kraska delivered a virtual lecture to a graduate law class on maritime security law at World Maritime University

• Professor Kraska joined Amb. Nguyen Hong Thao as a Feature speaker at the online Pacific Forum (Hawaii) Maritime Discussion Series on the 2016 South China Sea Arbitration. RADM Bob Girrer (ret.) moderated the event

• LtCol Cherry participated in a virtual workshop hosted by the Center for a New American Security (CNAS) to discuss China’s legal and policy approaches to weapon systems enabled by artificial intelligence and autonomous weapons systems

• Professor Kraska virtually participated in a Rand Corp study on Arctic conflict scenarios

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by Defense News concerning the legal transit regimes for Russia’s Northern Sea Route in the Arctic Ocean

• Prof Kraska and LtCol Cherry hosted a “virtual experts” meeting with government and military officials concerning the laws of armed conflict and accountability in the development, deployment, and use of autonomous weapons systems and weapon systems enabled by artificial intelligence

JUNE

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by the BBC concerning the potential for China to implement an Air Defense Identification Zone in the South China Sea

• Professor Kraska was cited by the Indonesian media, Benar News, on China’s work on undersea cables in the Paracel Islands

• LtCol Cherry virtually participated in a Danish Ministry of Defense dialogue to discuss guiding principles for the use of AI in armed conflict

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt directed a two-week virtual course on international cyber law for government officials from Organization of American States member states

• Professor Kraska participated in an online forum concerning responsibilities and remedies in international law for China’s role in COVID-19, sponsored by the Henry Jackson Society of the United Kingdom
• The Stockton Center (LtCol Cherry, Squadron Leader Tinkler, and John Hursh) served as the review board for the VADM James H. Doyle, Jr., Prize for Military Operations and International Law

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by Tuổi Trẻ newspaper and the Vietnam Mission to the UN over the US mission to the UN demarche on China’s unlawful claims in the South China Sea

• LtCol Cherry participated in a virtual consultative meeting hosted by the Center for a New American Security (CNAS) addressing U.S./China relations as related to the use of artificial intelligence and autonomy in weapon systems

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by professors from the University of California about legal aspects of underwater cloud computing

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by the Vietnam Mission to the United Nations concerning recent exchanges of Notes Verbale between Indonesia and China in the South China Sea

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt conducted a webinar on international cyber law and national security for the US Army’s Reserve Legal Command

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt conducted a webinar for Australian attorneys from throughout the government, including the armedforces, who deal with cyber issues addressing use of force and law of armed conflict issues

• Professor Kraska was cited by BBC World News in a story concerning the possibility that China may establish an Air Defense Identification Zone in the South China Sea

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt conducted two, three-day virtual workshops on cyber law for the “Women in Cyber Fellowship” program for diplomats of the Asia-Pacific region engaged in cyber negotiations at the United Nations, and for those representing Africa and the Americas

JULY

• Professor Kraska delivered a virtual presentation for the School of Maritime, Air, and Space Studies of the National Security University of India concerning the San Remo Manual on International Law Applicable to Armed Conflicts at Sea

• LtCol Cherry delivered a virtual presentation for the School of Maritime, Air, and Space Studies of the National Security University of India concerning Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems and the Law of Armed Conflict

• Professor Kraska delivered a virtual presentation on the San Remo Manual on International Law Applicable to Armed Conflicts at Sea for the National Security University of India

• Professor Kraska participated in the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence virtual quarterly meeting
ENGAGEMENT CALENDAR (cont.)

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Bloomberg Asia concerning the administration’s new policy on the South China Sea

- Professor Kraska delivered a virtual presentation to the Stratbase ADR Institute of Manila, sponsored by the US Embassy, concerning the 4th Anniversary of the Philippine-China arbitration

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt spoke on "Global Internal Law Capacity Building" at the "Closing the Gap" virtual conference convened by the European Union Institute Security Studies

- Professor Kraska spoke in the online program, A New Regional Order: Effective Alignment through Strategic Partnerships sponsored by the US Embassy in Manila

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Voice of Vietnam regarding Secretary Pompeo’s statement about the South China Sea

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Tuổi Trẻ newspaper of Vietnam concerning the South China Sea

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Foreign Policy Magazine regarding Secretary Pompeo’s statement on the South China Sea

- LtCol Cherry participated in a virtual meeting hosted by the Danish Ministry of Defence addressing core principles of weapons reviews for weapon systems with autonomous functions

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt directed a weeklong virtual cyber law course for Indonesian officials dealing with cyber law and policy

- Professor Kraska spoke at a virtual workshop on International Maritime Security Law sponsored by the National Security University of India concerning the development of the San Remo Manual on the Law of Naval Warfare

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Foreign Policy Magazine regarding Secretary Pompeo’s statement on the South China Sea

- Squadron Leader Tinkler participated in a virtual meeting with fellow ‘core experts’ to the Woomera Manual on the International Law of Military Space Operations to discuss the draft rule on ‘Military Activities on the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies’

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt participated in a virtual by invitation Oxford University experts’ workshop on international law protections of the healthcare sector during COVID-19

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt directed a six-day virtual workshop on international cyber law for officials throughout the Americas

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Foreign Policy Magazine regarding Secretary Pompeo’s statement on the South China Sea
ENGAGEMENT CALENDAR (cont.)

AUGUST

• Professor Pedrozo provided talking points to INDO-PACOM in response to a Chinese protest that U.S. aircraft (U-2 and RC-135) had “trespassed” and “intruded” into a declared “no-fly zone” in international airspace to monitor an ongoing PLAN military exercise on the high seas

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt conducted a one-day virtual seminar for Vietnamese government officials who are responsible for cyber matters

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by Vietnam media outlet Zing concerning the international law aspects of China’s launch of ballistic missiles into the South China Sea, including the threat of the use of force under the Charter of the United Nations

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by the Voice of America Vietnam over China’s launch of two ballistic missiles into the South China Sea

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by Bloomberg News concerning the legal order of the oceans in East Asia

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt directed a six-day virtual course on international cyber law for 37 government officials from throughout the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) region

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by the Spanish foreign affairs Es Global, concerning international law in the South China Sea

• Professor Kraska delivered comments virtually at the CSIS Annual Conference on the South China Sea

• LtCol Cherry presented law of armed conflict lectures to a multinational military audience for the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies (DIILS)

• Squadron Leader Tinkler peer reviewed a new ‘scenario’ for the Cyber Law Toolkit, a project led by the Czech National Cyber and Information Security Agency, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence, the University of Exeter, and Wuhan University

SEPTEMBER

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by Thanh Nien newspaper in Vietnam concerning the UK, French, and German diplomatic demarche concerning the South China Sea arbitration award

• Professor Kraska delivered a keynote address on practitioners who have shaped the law of the sea at the Global Oceans Conference of the Korea Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries and the Korea Maritime Institute online event

• Professor Kraska virtually taught a class at Syracuse University School of Law concerning China’s role in international law and international organizations in the global system
ENGAGEMENT CALENDAR (cont.)

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by an artificial intelligence team from Columbia University on the legal implications of an algorithm for a satellite-based global “facial recognition” for ships on international voyages.

- Professor Pedrozo and LtCol Cherry presented a class on the legal issues associated with unmanned maritime systems at the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies’ (DIILS) Legal Aspects of Maritime Security Operations course.

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by the Vietnam media outlet Zing, concerning the French, German, and British Note Verbale on the South China Sea.

- LtCol Cherry presented a lecture on legal issues and unmanned systems to the “Unmanned Systems and Conflict in the 21st Century” elective at the Naval War College.

- The Royal Australian Air Force selected Squadron Leader Tinkler to guest lecture on the law of armed conflict in military space operations in their virtual 9-week course, Space Conflict and Competition, at University of New South Wales (UNSW Canberra).

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt spoke on “U.S. Cyber Strategy and International Law” for foreign officers attending the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies program on “Legal Aspects of Maritime Law Enforcement and Security Operations.”

- Professor Kraska delivered remarks on Lawfare in the South China Sea at the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General’s Corps online forum “Yankee Operational Law Symposium.”

- Professor Kraska was interviewed by Voice of Vietnam on the legal machinery concerning arbitration cases in the South China Sea.

- LtCol Cherry participated in a dialogue with the Center for a New American Security addressing the legal and policy implications of China’s approach to autonomy and artificial intelligence in armed conflict.

- Squadron Leader Tinkler was interviewed by the University of New South Wales Canberra for their online course 'Space Conflict and Competition.'

OCTOBER

- LtCol Cherry served as a moderator for a virtual panel “National Security and the Coming AI Revolution” sponsored by Syracuse University’s Institute for Security Policy & Law and the Center for Security and Emerging Technologies (CSET).

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt delivered presentations on sovereignty and cyber intervention, and the use of cyber force to government officials from the Middle East, Europe and the Americas during a virtual workshop sponsored by the U.S. and Dutch governments.
ENGAGEMENT CALENDAR (cont.)

• Professor Kraska and Professor Pedrozo provided a virtual presentation on Russian and Chinese interests in the Arctic to the 2020 U.S. Air Force JAG Corps Horizon Conference hosted by Lt. Gen. Jeffrey Rockwell, The Judge Advocate General of the Air Force

• Professor Kraska and LtCol Cherry served as virtual instructors at the International Institute of Humanitarian Law’s Naval Operations and the Law Course

• LtCol Cherry served as a virtual lecturer for the International Institute of Humanitarian Law’s Maritime Rules of Engagement Course

• Professor Kraska was interviewed for an article in Thanh Nien (Vietnam) concerning the South China Sea

• Squadron Leader Tinkler delivered a brief virtually on the law of state responsibility and international space law at the Royal Air Force’s annual legal conference

• LtCol Cherry virtually presented the “Military Practitioners Lecture” on targeting and the laws of armed conflict at the Geneva Academy

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt conducted a week-long virtual workshop for 31 government officials from throughout the Association of Southeast Asian nations region on the application of international law to cyber operations

• LtCol Cherry was interviewed by the Graduate Institute of Geneva for their study on Lethal Autonomous Weapon Systems and War Crimes

• Professor Kraska delivered a virtual presentation to multiple offices in the Department of Foreign Affairs of a regional US ally on ASEAN+China negotiations for a Code of Conduct in the South China Sea

• Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt directed a virtual one-week course hosted by the Organization of American States on the application of international law in cyberspace for 25 government officials from throughout the Americas

• Professor Kraska was interviewed by Voice of America (VOA) concerning legal liability in international law for internationally wrongful acts related to the coronavirus pandemic

• LtCol Cherry participated in a virtual panel addressing Accountability for Civilian Casualties in Armed Conflict for an event co-sponsored by the Stockton Center, Wilson Center, American Society of International Law, ICRC, and American Red Cross

• John Hursh presented a draft chapter on revolution in Algeria and Sudan between 2018 and 2020 for a forthcoming book examining the role of the city within contemporary international law in a virtual author’s symposium on the Urban Politics of Human Rights, sponsored by the Asser Institute in The Hague, Netherlands
ENGAGEMENT CALENDAR (cont.)

- Professor Kraska delivered a virtual lecture on international maritime security law at the University of Maine School of Law

- Professor Kraska conducted a virtual panel on Grand Strategy and International Law at the Keough School of Global Affairs, University of Notre Dame

- LtCol Cherry presented a virtual lecture on targeting and the law of armed conflict as part of Franklin & Marshall College's Masters Class program

- Professor (Emeritus) Schmitt's article Cyber Countermeasures and Effects on Third Parties: The International Legal Regime, which was published in the 2014 Baltic Yearbook of International Law, was one of eleven articles selected for inclusion in International Law from a Baltic Perspective, an edited collection of works from the Yearbook to mark the 20th anniversary of its founding

- Professor Kraska delivered a virtual lecture on international maritime security law, including freedom of navigation and coastal State jurisdiction, to law students and government officials at Tbilisi State University in Georgia

DECEMBER

- Professor Kraska delivered a keynote presentation in an online forum sponsored by the Center for Strategic and International Studies and the University of the Philippines College of Law on international law and military activities in the oceans

- LtCol Cherry participated in a dialogue with the Center for a New American Security addressing the legal and policy implications of China's approach to autonomy and artificial intelligence in armed conflict

- Professor Kraska delivered a virtual presentation on behalf of the US Embassy Manila to 200 officers of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, concerning the South China Sea and international law

- Professor Kraska served as keynote speaker at a virtual conference sponsored by CSIS and the US Embassy Manila on military activities in the law of the sea to some 400 registered participants.

- Professor Kraska and Professor Pedrozo participated in a two-day virtual meeting of the International Group of Experts that are updating the San Remo Manual on the Law Applicable to Armed Conflicts at Sea

- LTC Elton Johnson provided consultation to the Arms Control Bureau, U.S. Department of State
INTERNATIONAL LAW STUDIES

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