

DEAR COLLEAGUES,

I am honored and humbled to be selected as the editor-in-chief of *The Cyber Defense Review* (CDR). I follow in the footsteps of the ever positive and tireless Dr. Corvin Conolly who established and built the CDR as the foundation of intellectual discussion and scholarly works for the cyberspace domain. Thank you, Corvin. I am grateful for your efforts, the team you built, and this thriving and respected publication.

It is a difficult task to improve the performance and quality of the CDR and indeed my first goal is to work with the wonderful team of Area Editors, Reviewers, West Point Class of 1970 Assistant Editors, Designers, and the Printer to ensure a smooth handover and maintain our current level of excellence. I am grateful for the opportunity to be a part of our nation's pre-eminent leader development institution where we can leverage the talent at the Army Cyber Institute, Innovation Hub, the Long Gray Line, and the West Point staff and faculty to help our Army and Joint Forces fight and win on the battlefield, and ultimately compete and win as a nation.

My second goal is to ensure the CDR is on a sustainable long-term path by attracting the readers who will lead our cyber forces, the Army and our nation into the future. While *The Cyber Defense Review* is the place for the most scholarly of works, I see the need for a more interactive dialog for all members of the profession. With that in mind, I will seek to expand the CDR's online and social media presence to engage our junior leaders where they are and help them solve today's tactical and operational problems. These young people will build the new capabilities, the new organizations, and the doctrine that will define our profession and become the means by which our nation will create positions of advantage in competition and in war.

My third goal is to ensure we widen the aperture of the research we publish. As our Joint Force is called on to use military capabilities to influence strategic competition, our cyber forces will be at the forefront. Therefore, widening the aperture is twofold. First, I want to reach further into the future to where today's disruptive technologies and innovation converge to arm all our readers with a body of knowledge that will enable them to understand the operational environment, think critically, adapt to changes, rapidly resource, and creatively apply military power to win. Secondly, we will reach out to other academic institutions, think tanks, policy makers, members of industry, allies, other federal agencies, and members of our operational forces to share their discoveries with us and be a part of the debate on the employment of cyber forces across the continuum of military operations. I ask you to help us, as a journal and a professional community, solve the problems of today as we adapt to long-term, global competition and build the campaigns that will have lasting impacts ten years out and beyond.

I believe the CDR and the combined efforts of this community will push the envelope on the concepts that will keep the competitive balance tilted in our favor. Having an interactive dialog with readers from across the community and broadening our aperture will have a great and long-lasting effect on our profession. —DSK