

## *Center for National Security Strategies*

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Hudson Institute's Center for National Security Strategies focuses on fundamental and long-term security interests of the United States such as:

- preservation of U.S. sovereignty,
- cultivation of U.S. strategic alliances,
- problems of proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and
- threats to the security of democratic states from jihadist extremists.



The Center draws on the experience of Director Douglas J. Feith, his Hudson Institute colleagues, and others who have crafted national security strategies for the Defense Department and the White House. The Center works on a bipartisan basis with officials in the U.S. government, including in the Congress, and with experts in universities and think tanks worldwide to (1) analyze strategic issues and (2) propose policies and institutional reforms to protect the American way of life and promote U.S. interests. Specific topics the Center has dealt with in recent months include:

- Iraq and Afghanistan.
- Nuclear threats from Iran and North Korea.
- Arab-Israeli policy.
- U.S. strategic relations with India and Pakistan.
- U.S. policy toward the Comprehensive [Nuclear] Test Ban Treaty.
- How the U.S. government can organize better to make and implement national security policy – for example, through creating a civilian response corps to give the U.S. military civilian partners for reconstruction and stabilization operations.

**Douglas J. Feith** served from July 2001 to August 2005 as Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, a top adviser to Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld and President George W. Bush. He helped devise the U.S. government's strategy for the war on terrorism, contributed to policymaking for the Afghanistan and Iraq campaigns, and helped write:

- the National Security Strategy of the United States;
- the Defense Department's National Defense Strategy and Quadrennial Defense Review and the strategic guidance for the combatant commanders for their war plans and peacetime activities; and
- the National Military Strategic Plan for the War on Terrorism.

Mr. Feith is the author of the highly regarded *New York Times* and *Washington Post* bestseller *War and Decision: Inside the Pentagon at the Dawn of the War on Terrorism* (HarperCollins, 2008). He holds a J.D. (*magna cum laude*) from the Georgetown University Law Center and an A.B. (*magna cum laude*) from Harvard College.