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Open Letter to JFQ Readers

JFQ seeks your assistance in exploring new ideas in irregular warfare and special operations. On April 23, 2009, Deputy Secretary of Defense William J. Lynn announced that the 2009 Quadrennial Defense Review (QDR) will examine "ways to institutionalize irregular warfare capabilities while maintaining the United States' existing strategic and technological edge in conventional warfare." The following day, General Norton Schwartz revealed that the U.S. Air Force is contemplating the need to build partner capacity in the light strike role and would consider developing an irregular warfare wing. The QDR's findings are informed by fiscal policy and the National Security Strategy of the new administration, in addition to the professional insights of those with practical field experience.

JFQ encourages you to submit manuscripts that speak to these issues among others that bear upon the objectives of the QDR. Boldly challenge traditional thought and practices in the joint, interagency, national security community, and propose new solutions!

JFQ would also like to solicit manuscripts on specific subject areas in concert with future thematic focuses. The following topics are tied to submission deadlines for upcoming issues:

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JFQ is pleased to announce a new national security journal, *Prism*, which has been chartered to promote civilian and military complex operations training and education. Published by National Defense University (NDU) Press on behalf of the Center for Complex Operations at NDU, the goal of *Prism* is to enhance the U.S. Government's ability to prepare for complex operations by catalyzing cooperation, coordination, and synchronization among education, training, lessons learned, and research institutions and organizations. Complex operations consist of counterinsurgency; stability, security, transition, and reconstruction operations; and irregular warfare. NDU Press is now accepting manuscripts for inclusion in the inaugural issue of *Prism*, scheduled for publication in Fall 2009. Manuscripts may vary in length from 3,000 to 7,000 words and should be submitted per the guidance governing *JFQ* manuscripts on our Web site at ndupress.ndu.edu.

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