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Dr. Patrick Sweeney has an extensive background in national security planning, execution, and education. He has twenty-three years of experience teaching a range of national security topics and U.S. military history at graduate and undergraduate levels. He graduated from The Citadel in 1973 and served twenty-nine years in the Army in a variety of Field Artillery and war planning positions throughout his career. He has an extensive background in national security planning, execution, and education. His last position was as a Professor of Joint Military Operations at the U.S. Naval War College, Newport, RI. In that role, he taught and developed national security curriculum for U.S. and international students in support of a Master of Arts Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies program. Upon retirement from the resident War College faculty, Dr. Sweeney continues teaching the Naval War College course of study via distance education. He is an Adjunct Professor at The Citadel, where he teaches in the Intelligence and Security Studies Department.

As an experienced operational planner, Dr. Sweeney represented the U.S. Naval War College in the following:

- Annually led seminars to familiarize new NATO senior leaders with the NATO crisis action planning system.
- Assisted the nation of Bulgaria in the development of its strategic planning system.
- Interviewed by NPR "On Point," New England Cable News, and *GovExec* magazine.
- Supported U.S. military planning for the Pacific region.
- Supported Homeland Defense planning immediately after 9/11.

Dr. Sweeney also provided strategic planning seminars to industry executives, including:

- General Dynamics
- IBM
- Young Presidents Organization (YPO)

During his military career, Dr. Sweeney served as a combat arms officer and planner for U.S. Army, joint, and multinational commands. Highlights:

- Lead NATO planner for operations in Kosovo and Bosnia Herzegovina.
- Joint Task Force operations officer for returning President Aristide to Haiti.
- Army planner for operations in Somalia.
- Operations officer for three Artillery Brigades in Desert Shield and Desert Storm.
- Served in a full range of Field Artillery staff and command positions in the U.S., Germany, and Korea.

Degrees:

Ph.D., Humanities, Salve Regina University

Dissertation: "Collateral Damage: Technology's influence upon the American warrior's ethical obligation to the noncombatant from the Civil War to the War on Terror."

M.A., Military Arts & Sciences, School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS), Ft. Leavenworth, KS

M.A., Public Administration, Western Kentucky University

B.S., Business Administration, The Citadel