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PETER WARREN SINGER

Dr. Peter Warren Singer is the National Security Fellow at the Brookings Institution and Director of the Brookings Project on U.S. Policy Towards the Islamic World.

Singer has written for major media and academic journals, including the Boston Globe, L.A. Times, New York Times, Washington Post, Foreign Affairs, Current History, Survival, International Security, Parameters, Weltpolitik, and the World Policy Journal. He has also provided commentary on military affairs for a variety of media outlets including ABC-Nightline, Al Jazeera, BBC, CBS, CNN, FOX, and the NBC Today Show.

Prior to his current position, Dr. Singer was a fellow at the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University. He has also worked for the Balkans Task Force in the U.S. Department of Defense and the International Peace Academy. Singer received his Ph.D. in Government from Harvard University and previously attended the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University.

Dr. Singer is considered the world's leading expert on the private military industry. His book Corporate Warriors: The Rise of the Privatized Military Industry (Cornell University Press) was the first to explore the industry and was named best book of the year by the American Political Science Association, among the top five international affairs books of the year by the Gelber Prize, and a top ten summer read by Businessweek. Released in June 2003, it has already gone through 4 print runs and received coverage in over 50 countries, as well as attention from several Hollywood studios. It was also recently featured in the History Channel documentary "Soldiers for Hire." Singer continues to serve as a resource on the private military issue to the U.S. Congress, U.S. Department of Defense-Joint Staff, CIA, European Union, and, most recently, played a role in the Abu Ghraib prison abuse investigation.



ALAN W. BELL

Alan W. Bell is the president of Globe Risk Holdings Inc., and an expert in international counter-terrorism. His distinguished career includes more than 22 years of specialized military experience related to global security issues. Mr. Bell has trained close protection (bodyguard) teams for two kings, two presidents, and has been involved in counter-terrorist operations throughout the world.

As president of Globe Risk Holdings Inc., Mr. Bell is responsible for developing and directing the firm's subsidiary companies. Globe Risk Holdings Inc. specializes in integrating crisis management and security programs, which are designed to prevent, minimize, and pro-actively prepare individuals and companies for crisis/security related risks.

A graduate of HMS Ganges Engineering College in England, Mr. Bell joined the British Royal Navy in 1964. From 1967-1977, he served in the British Royal Marine Commandos where he was deployed undercover for two years with an anti-terrorist unit. In 1978, he was recruited to become a member of Britain's Special Air Service (SAS); the world's most elite armed forces unit. His duties included protecting the British Royal family and former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. Additionally, while a member of the SAS, Mr. Bell was sent to South and Central America where he was assigned to protect government officials as well as Pope John Paul II. He has also trained close protection teams, counter-terrorist teams, and Special Forces units worldwide.

In 1989, Mr. Bell joined one of Canada's largest private security organizations, as the firm's Corporate Resources Group Director. There, he counseled clients in counter-terrorism tactics, negotiation of hostage situations, crisis management, VIP/executive protection, corporate investigations and security due-diligence audits.

Since forming Globe Risk Holdings Inc. Mr. Bell personally directs the delivery of all corporate level services. He prepares and develops crisis management plans and provides security consulting to a broad base of clients including major crown corporations and agencies, governments, natural resource and exploration companies, insurance companies, telecommunication firms, food manufacturers, television networks, chemical companies, and shopping centres. Additionally, he counsels clients in Threat, Risk, Vulnerability Assessments, and business recovery, commercial, residential and personal risk assessments, VIP/executive protection, industrial dispute management, counter-terrorism programs, and specialized training.

Currently, Mr. Bell serves as a consultant to a large number of international corporations as well as a number of Ontario's Tactical Weapons teams and the Canadian governments Special Emergency Rescue Team, an anti-terrorist special assignment group. Globe Risk Holdings Inc. has supplied security support to business operations in such diverse areas as Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Algeria, Ivory Coast, Sudan, The Republic of the Congo, DRC, Angola, Mexico, Ecuador, Peru, Colombia, Brazil, Argentina, Thailand, Philippines, Greece, Europe, Russia, U.S. and Canada.



ROBERT YOUNG PELTON

Author and filmmaker, Robert Young Pelton is known for overcoming extraordinary obstacles in his search for the truth. He has made a career of bypassing the media, border guards and the military in his goal of getting to the heart of the story. In his travels to and through the world's most dangerous places, Pelton has shared risks with his hosts and often has become the sole surviving witness to history-shaping events. His recent journeys have taken him inside the siege of Grozny in Chechnya, the battle of Qala-I-Jangi in Afghanistan, the rebel campaign to take Monrovia in Liberia and inside the hunt for Bin Laden in the Tribal Areas.

Pelton is also known for penetrating many of the world's most dangerous terrorist, rebel and paramilitary organisations. His goal as a neutral observer and accurate chronicler of events has earned him access on many sides of many wars including being the only journalist in combat operations with US Special Forces in Afghanistan.

His travels have not been without penalty. He has been kidnapped by right wing death squads in Colombia, survived a plane crash in Indonesia, a head-on motorcycle accident in Peru and gracefully endured numerous detainments and attacks.

His access has allowed Pelton to return with stunning interviews, surprising stories and unforgettable footage for his articles, documentaries and books. The world met just one of the many characters Pelton has met when they watched his world exclusive interview of the American Taliban, John Walker Lindh.

In addition to his work for National Geographic Adventure, Pelton has worked for Discovery Channel, ABC NEws, CBS 60 Minutes, CNN and other major media networks. His unusual perspective, insight and humor make him a popular guest on news networks and entertainment shows that range from Oprah to NPR.

As an author, Pelton is best known for his classic underground guide to surviving danger; Robert Young Pelton's - The World's Most Dangerous Places (Harper Collins) now in its fifth edition. His other books include Come Back Alive (Random House), an intense autobiography, The Adventurist (Broadway Books) and his latest: Three Worlds Gone Mad (Lyons Press) a book about three wars and the people Pelton met fighting them. He is currently writing a book about mercenaries and private contractors for Crown Books and a young teen book based on his early childhood for Penguin.



MADELAINE DROHAN

Madelaine Drohan is an award-winning author and journalist who has covered business and politics in Canada, Europe and Africa during a twenty-five-year career.

She has worked for The Globe and Mail, as a foreign correspondent and columnist, The Financial Post, Maclean's and The Canadian Press.

She was awarded a Reuters Fellowship at Oxford University in 1998, and the Hyman Solomon Award for Excellence in Public Policy Jounalism in 2001. She is a 2004-2005 Media Fellow at the Chumir Foundation for Ethics in Leadership and the 2004-2005 Journalist in Residence at Carleton University.

Whenever possible, she conducts journalism workshops for media in Africa and Southeast Asia, with a special focus on business and investigative journalism.

Her book, Making a Killing: How and why corporations use armed force to do business, was published in 2003 by Random House of Canada and in 2004 by The Lyons Press in the United States. It won the Ottawa Book Award and was short-listed for the National Business Book of the Year Award in 2004.

She lives in Ottawa where she is working on her second book.



PHIL LANCASTER

Born in Vancouver in 1949, Phil was raised in Montreal and joined the Canadian Army in 1967. He was commissioned into the Royal Canadian Armoured Corps in 1968 and served with various Armoured regiments in a career that spanned the October Crisis, the Cold War and Rwanda, where he served as Major General Romeo Dallaire's Military Assistant.

He retired from the Canadian Forces in 1998 and began humanitarian work with UNICEF. Since then, he has held various UN positions in Sudan, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi and Afghanistan. In August 2004, he returned home to Victoria after successfully managing a Mine Action project involving newly demobilised combatants from Afghanistan's long running civil war. Throughout his working life, Phil has been a keen observer of political events and has been blessed with unique opportunities to see close hand the development of several world shaping events.

Phil holds a PhD in political philosophy from the University of Ottawa and continues to be active in both academic and humanitarian projects. He is currently alternating between consulting contracts for the United Nations Development Programme in Sudan and working on a book based on his experiences. He has four children and remains happily married to his wife of 30 years.



S. I.

S.I. is a Security Consultant, an internationally active Close Protection operative as well as an internationally recognized martial artist and use of force instructor. His career includes 16 years of Close Protection, Security, Threat, Risk and Vulnerability Assessment and Investigation expertise on an International scale. He has trained close protection teams, Special Forces personnel, police officers, airport security personnel, and a wide range of security professionals.

Within the private sector, he has been responsible for delivery of security consultation, close protection services and security and investigation training. He has operated as a Tactical Team Leader at a Nuclear Facility. His operational experiences and training include the development of fitness standards, tactical maps and charts, firearms, land warfare training as well as high risk PSD training.

He has served in the Yugoslavian National Army where he was trained and operated as a Security Specialist and hand to hand combat instructor. During his tenure in the military, his duties included protecting military and government figures as well as instructing military personnel in hand to hand combat.

During his career he has held many positions including that of a Regional Manager tasked with the training and evaluation of Airport Security in use of force and illegal article detection. He has provided close protection services to royalty, religious figures, business executives and diplomats in low to high-risk environment in North America, Europe, the Middle East and Asia.

At present he operates a private firm, where he personally provides high risk security services and training on a national and international level to corporate and private clients and conducts Threat, Risk, Vulnerability assessments, use of force, Close Protection, and firearms training as well as labor Dispute management and broad based security consultations.

He has recently worked as a security contractor in Iraq for a US based private security company.



COBUS CLAASENS

Cobus Claasens spent a large part of his life as a professional soldier in the South African army. After 13 years of training and operational posting he acquired plenty of experience as an infantryman, a member of unconventional forces, and a paratrooper. He rose to the rank of Major and had a command posting leading an Airborne Battalion Group.

After resigning from the South African army Cobus went to work for the Private Military Company Executive Outcomes, on a contract in Sierra Leone from 1995 until the end of 1997.

After this contract he was transferred to Lifequard Security, for whom he worked until 1999.

In 1999 he formed his own security company by the name of Southern Cross. Forced to acquire a complementary entrepreneurial skillset he quickly rose to the occasion and ran the company successfully for a number of years, eventually selling it to Securicor in February 2003.

Since that time he has worked in the freelance security and security consulting business. He operates worldwide though his love of tropical climates keeps him, at least for now, coming back to his African roots.



NEALL ELLIS

Neall Ellis grew up in Rhodesia.

After a short stint with the Rhodesian Army he was asked to leave and he joined the South African Air Force. Initially he flew jets but due to a minor disagreement with his commanding officer he eventually switched to helicopters and has never looked back

After leaving the South African Air Force in 1992 he went fishing for a year but discovered that he was a bad fisherman.

He then tried farming but not getting on with the owner of the farm and generally finding himself rather bored with the pattern of civilian life he decided to return to flying helicopters.

Already established as somewhat of a legend in the military helicopter community his first freelance contract took him to Bosnia. It was shortlived but he was soon to join Executive Outcomes in Sierra Leone for one year in 1995.

Following other contracts as a freelance pilot (including Zaire with Stabilco and Sierra Leone with Sandline - where he was one of the Mi-8 pilots flying the aircraft that was ackowledged to have turned the tables on the Rebel forces attacking the capital) he formed his own Private Military Company, Jesa Air West Africa.

Showing no signs of slowing down with age, Neall Ellis will soon be departing for Iraq on another private military contract.



DOUG BROOKS

Doug Brooks is President of the International Peace Operations Association (IPOA), a nonprofit association of private companies seeking to improve international peacekeeping efforts through greater privatization. He is a specialist on African security issues and is Adjunct Faculty at American University and a Research Associate with the South African Institute of International Affairs in Johannesburg where he was an academic fellow for more than a year.

Mr. Brooks has written extensively on the regulation and constructive utilization of private military services and their potential use for international stabilization, peacekeeping and humanitarian missions, especially in Africa. He has appeared on CNN International, BBC, CBS News, NBC News, National Public Radio, Brazilian Globo Television, Voice of America, SABC in South Africa, Lehrer News Hour and Russian television. He has lectured at numerous universities and colleges, including the South African Defense College and the Inter-American Defense College at Ft. McNair.

Mr. Brooks is originally from Indiana and has a BA in History from Indiana University, an MA in History from Baylor University, and is currently working on his Ph.D. at the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh. He has worked as a teacher in Kambuzuma Township in Harare, Zimbabwe, at the Library of Congress, the National Archives, the Institute of International Education, and the International Management Development Institute in Pittsburgh.



STEPHEN J. CANNELL

An Emmy award-winning writer/producer and Chairman of Cannell Studios, Cannell overcame severe dyslexia to become one of television's most prolific writers. In a highly successful career that spans nearly four decades, he has created or co-created more than 40 shows, of which he has scripted more than 450 episodes and produced or executive produced more than 1,500 episodes. His hits include *The A-Team*, *The Rockford Files*, *Hunter*, 21 Jump Street, *The Commish*, *Wiseguy*, and the hit syndicated shows, *Renegade* and *Silk Stalkings*.

An unstoppable creative force, Cannell is also a savvy businessman. In 1979, Cannell formed his own independent production company, Stephen J. Cannell Productions, in order to achieve creative control over material he was writing and producing. Seven years later, he formed The Cannell Studios to oversee all aspects of the organization's operations. Having surpassed the \$1 billion mark in production outlays, the studio experienced remarkable growth and diversification in such areas as production (films, mini-series, commercials), merchandising, and first-run/off-network programming.

In the early 1990s, he formed Cannell Communications and began buying television stations in the top 25 American markets. The company continued its growth with the construction of the North Shore Studios (the largest movie studio in Canada) and other subsidiary businesses until it was purchased by New World Communications Group in 1995 (which itself was purchased two years later by 20th Century Fox). Cannell still owns the worldwide distribution rights to more than 1,000 hours of Cannell-produced series and TV movies.

Cannell is currently in production on a two thriller/horror films in conjunction with IDT Entertainment, and completing the pilot episode of a gritty, new drama series for Turner Network Television entitled, The Dark. Other projects in development include feature films of: *The A-Team* at Twentieth Century Fox, *21 Jump Street* at Paramount, and *The Greatest American Hero* at Disney.

Cannell is a third generation Californian who currently resides in the Los Angeles area with his wife, Marcia, and their three children.



EIKE-HENNER W. KLUGE

Dr. Eike-Henner W. Kluge (PhD, Michigan 1968) is currently a Professor of Applied Ethics at the University of Victoria.

He is the Founding Director of the Department of Ethics and Legal Affairs of the Canadian Medical Association, and in that capacity was responsible for the development of diverse policies and positions. He has appeared before various Commons and Senate committees on different legislative issues and was the first expert witness in medical ethics recognized by Canadian courts.

Upon invitation he lectured on military ethics on several occasions at the Royal Roads Military College in Victoria, BC and he was the ethics consultant to the Office of the BC Police complaints Commissioner.

He is a member of WG4 (Security and Confidentiality) of the International Medical Informatics Association and wrote its Code of Ethics.

He has published extensively on a wide variety of subjects in medical, legal and other professional journals, and is the author of ten books and over 75 articles



FRANCES STONOR SAUNDERS

Frances Stonor Saunders graduated from Oxford in 1987.

She has worked as an independent television producer, with documentaries including the series Hidden Hands: A Different History of Modernism for Channel Four. She also writes and presents radio documentaries, most recently the BBC series Meetings of Minds, broadcast in November 2004.

Her first book, Who Paid the Piper? The CIA and the Cultural Cold War (Granta) was published in 1999, and won the Royal Historical Society's Gladstone Prize. It has been translated into ten languages.

She spent five years researching and writing a study of medieval mercenaries, published in the UK as Hawkwood: Diabolical Englishman (Faber & Faber), and in the US as The Devil's Broker (Fourth Estate, July 2005).

It tells the story of John Hawkwood (Giovanni Acuto), leader of the White Company and one of the most famous mercenaries of all time.



IOHN F. MULLINS

John Mullins was born and raised in Oklahoma, living on the farm settled by his grandfather upon the opening of the Kiowa/Comanche reservation. He joined the U.S. Army after graduating high school and he quickly transitioned to Special Forces, becoming a medic on an "A" Team and making his first trip to Vietnam in 1963. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Infantry in 1964, and within months he was on his way back to Vietnam, as the executive officer of an "A" Team in the Central Highlands. In 1968 he returned for a third 12 month tour in Vietnam, this time with the highly classified Studies and Observations Group (SOG). After spending a year in SOG he extended his tour for another six months leading a Provincial Reconnaissance Unit (PRU), eliminating the V.C. infrastructure as a part of the Phoenix Program.

The next ten years brought assignments in Europe, Central and South America, and the Middle East, engaging in training and advisory roles, often in high-risk situations. His last assignment was to Project Blue Light, the precursor of Special Forces Operational Detachment DELTA. John Mullins retired as a Major in 1982, and immediately went back to the Middle East, working for another branch of the government. Following this, he became a free-lance consultant, working for different branches of the U.S. government, corporate and private clients, and selected friendly foreign governments.

In 1994 Mullins once again retired, agreeing to accept outside work only under extraordinary circumstances. Since then he founded and now runs an ammunition company engaged in the manufacture and marketing of non-toxic frangible ammunition (a product based upon his patent), training law enforcement, military and selected civilian clients in basic and advanced tactics.

Post 9/11, Mullins was once again called to the fold. He now provides expert advice on aviation and other transportation security in the United States and throughout the world. He recently completed a full-scale audit of the international airports in the Republic of Uzbekistan, and created a pilot program for General Aviation Security for the State of Virginia.

In his free time writes novels and non-fiction. He also served as a consultant on the best-selling videogame, "Soldier of Fortune", providing his name, image and expertise to the publishers.

John Mullins has a B.A. in History from the University of Maryland, and an MBA from Midwestern State University.

He is a member of the Special Operations Association, the Special Forces Association, and the Association of Former Intelligence Officers.