

Captain R. Robinson Harris, U. S. Navy (Retired)

Captain Harris retired from the U. S. Navy in 1998 after 30 years of commissioned service. A Surface Warfare Officer, he served in a number of surface combatants and aircraft carriers. He commanded USS CONOLLY (DD 979) and Destroyer Squadron 32.

Captain Harris' shore assignments include: Assistant Professor, Department of Naval Science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Long Range Planner, Chief of Naval Operations Executive Panel; Executive Assistant to the Assistant to the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Director of Programs, SECNAV Office of Legislative Affairs; and, lastly, Executive Director, Chief of Naval Operations Executive Panel.

He was a key contributor to the development of the *Maritime Strategy* in the 1980s and *From the Sea* in the 1990s. He coauthored the *Maritime Strategy*.

Since retiring from the Navy, Captain Harris has worked for Lockheed Martin where he is Director of Advanced Concepts. He chairs the Navy Strategy Seminar in DC; serves as an advisor to the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group (SSG) at the Naval War College; is a Member of the Secretary of the Navy's Naval Research Advisory Committee; and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Baltimore (MD) Council on Foreign Affairs.

Captain Harris holds a bachelor's degree with honors from Pfeiffer University in North Carolina. He holds an MA degree from the University of Georgia, and he earned his PhD Candidacy from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. He is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology program for senior executives, SEMINAR 21; and he was a Fellow on the CNO Strategic Studies Group.

Captain Harris is the author of over 30 articles in professional journals including the U. S. Naval Institute *Proceedings* and the Naval War College *Review*. Most recently he authored a chapter in the book Naval Gazing published by the Centre for Foreign Policy Studies of Dalhousie University (Canada).