Lessons Learned, Lessons Lost:
Counterinsurgency from Vietnam to Iraq and Afghanistan

SAIS Kenney Auditorium
1740 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Day 1: Thursday March 4, 2010

9:00 AM  Welcoming Remarks
- Dr. Steve Maxner, Director, Vietnam Center, Texas Tech University
- Mr. William Wise, Associate Practitioner-in-Residence and Associate Director, Southeast Asia Studies, SAIS

9:15 AM  Opening Comments

10:00 AM  Developing a Strategic Policy for Civil-Military Operations (CMO) in Vietnam
Chair: Dr. Marc Gilbert, Hawaii Pacific University
- Mr. Rufus Philips, Author
- Dr. Ed Miller, Dartmouth College
- Dr. Richard Hunt, Historian’s Office, Office of the Secretary of Defense
- Mr. Francis J. “Bing” West, Journalist

12:00 PM  Vietnamese Luncheon

1:15 PM  From Strategy to Tactics: CMO Operations in Vietnam
Chair: Dr. James Willbanks, US Army Command & General Staff College
- Dr. Jeffrey Race, Author
- Dr. Andy Finlayson
- Mr. Thomas Ahern

2:45 PM  Coffee Break

3:00 PM  Roundtable: Assessing the Vietnam Experience
Chair: Dr. Ron Milam, Texas Tech University
- Dr. John Prados, George Washington University
- Dr. Larry Berman, University of California, Davis
Mr. Francis J. “Bing” West, Journalist
Dr. Jeffrey Race, Author
Mr. Rufus Phillips, Author

4:45 PM  Adjourn first day

Day 2: Friday March 5, 2010

9:00 AM:  Counterinsurgency Operations in Iraq
Chair: Dr. Patrick Cronin, Center for A New American Security
• Mr. Andrew Exum, Center for A New American Security
• Mr. Tom Ricks, Center for A New American Security
• Ms. Linda Robinson, Author and Consultant

10:45 AM:  Coffee Break

11:00 AM:  Counterinsurgency Operations in Afghanistan
Chair: Dr. Colin Jackson, Naval War College
• Dr. Gilles Dorronsoro, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
• Dr. Gerald Meyerle, CNA (Strategic Studies)

12:45 PM  Luncheon Roundtable: Lessons Learned, Lessons Lost
Chair: Dr. Tom Keaney, SAIS
• Dr. Gordon Adams, American University
• Dr. Austin Long, Columbia University/SIPA
• Dr. Mark Moyar, Marine Corps University

2:45 PM  Concluding Remarks

3:00 PM  Conference adjourns

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