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Featured Publication



Time for External Oversight of Britain's Special Forces

Originally published in openDemocracy, this article by the Remote Warfare Programme's (RWP) Liam Walpole and Megan Karlshøj-Pedersen discusses the recent allegations made in a BBC Panorama episode regarding abuses by UK Special Forces. The article argues that the alleged transgressions of international law in Afghanistan demonstrate the need for the UK to establish external oversight of Britain's special forces.

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Paul Rogers' Monthly Briefing



Running Out of Time? Future Prospects for Climate Stability

The Conservatives' victory in the UK general election and the lack of progress in the recent Madrid climate summit have cast doubt over future efforts to reduce global carbon emissions. This briefing assesses how these events could impact the future prospects for climate stability.

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ORG Co-Hosts Forum on Local Peace Building Efforts in Yemen



Fundraising Update

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From December 4 – 6, ORG co-hosted the first Shabwa and Al-Mahra Strategic Forum with the Sana'a Center for Strategic Studies in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The forum discussed methodologies for strategic planning and mechanisms to bolster peace efforts on a national level in Yemen.

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UK General Election 2019: Time for a New Approach to Security Partnerships?

Ahead of the UK general election, RWP's Megan Karlshøj-Pedersen and Liam Walpole wrote an article for International Review examining how the occasion represented an opportunity to review the UK's approach to security partnerships.

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Abigail Watson Presents at University of York

On 10 December, RWP's Abigail Watson presented at a workshop on British engagement with Africa which was organised by the Department of Politics and the Interdisciplinary Global Development Centre, at the University of York.

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Paul Rogers Joins BFBS Podcast

Paul Rogers, a Senior ORG Fellow, joined a group of experts on the British Forces Broadcasting Service's (BFBS) Sitrep podcast to take a look back at the standout moments for defence and security in 2019. Paul's copanellists were Lucy Fisher, Defence Editor for The Times, and Michael Clarke, former Director-General of the Royal United Services Institute.

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Call for papers: EWIS 2020 - A Transatlantic **Divide? Strangeness and Familiarity in** European Approaches to Remote Warfare

From 1-4 July 2020, RWP will co-host a workshop at the 7th European Workshops in International Studies (EWIS) in Brussels. The workshop, organised by RWP and Tom Watts from Royal Holloway, University of London, will address the main gaps within the current debates on remote warfare.

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