

## Editorial Comments

This issue of the *Journal of Military and Strategic Studies* presents a diverse group of articles.

Our first article, by Andrea Charron, is another prize-winning essay from the Conference of Defence Associations Institute- Canadian Defence and Foreign Affairs Institute symposium in October 2004. Ms. Charron looks at the question of Canada's sovereignty in Arctic waters. While global warming may increase traffic through the Northwest Passage, and many see this prospect as posing a threat to Canadian Arctic sovereignty, Ms. Charron argues that a measured approach to the problem, in conjunction with other states, will be better than a hasty response.

Alvin Shapiro notes the emphasis on high technology to identify terrorists trying to enter states. This, he argues, is a reactive approach, in that it can only screen out persons already identified as problematic. He suggests that an older technology, based on risk assessment questionnaires, may be able to help identify potential persons of concern on a more predictive basis. Joanne Rennick examines the potential role for Canadian Forces chaplains in assisting CF personnel in the field to deal with operational stresses. A successful "Ministry of Presence," however, will require additional training for military chaplains, including in their management of their own operational stress. Stephen Chledowski looks at the intersection of military corruption and organized crime in Eastern Europe, a problem which can affect the stability of these newly democratic states.

Finally, Scott Fitzsimmons offers a lengthy review essay of three books which seek to explain apparent military ineffectiveness in the Arab world, Latin America and Africa.