Greetings! The year 2014 was exceptional for Military Review. We realized many of our goals as an organization and as a publication, finally attaining full staffing and incorporating most of the promised changes to the journal. Our most important improvement was adding color to the journal’s English edition to enhance its appearance and readability.

More changes are in Military Review’s future. Possibly as early as February we will join forces with the Combat Studies Institute (CSI) to form a new organization called the Army Press. As a combined team we will serve as the focal point for identifying, encouraging, and supporting authors who desire to publish original manuscripts on the Army’s history, policy, doctrine, training, organization, leader development, professionalism, or any other topic of interest to the Army. These contributions can be in the form of books, monographs, or articles. We will provide help to potential authors through mentoring and coaching, ensuring the Press’ programs and products enable scholarship, facilitate professional dialogue, and promote an enhanced understanding of the Army and the Profession of Arms.

Because Military Review can only accept a fraction of the submissions we receive, we will work to place those articles we do not publish in other Army, Department of Defense, or Center of Excellence publications. We will also provide recommendations for manuscript revisions (if needed) before forwarding them to other periodicals to increase their potential for publication. More information on the transition of Military Review and CSI to the Army Press is forthcoming.

This edition of Military Review contains some very unique articles that will grab your attention and perhaps stir some debate. As you can see by our stunning cover photo, we want to draw your attention to an article about the importance of Arctic training and the Army’s challenges in dealing with Arctic warfare contingencies that might arise. Author Capt. Nathan Fry draws from his experience training north of the Arctic Circle with Canadian forces during Exercise Guerrier Nordique on Baffin Island, Canada.

Also in the lineup is an article by Lt. Gen. Donald M. Campbell Jr., commanding general of U.S. Army Europe, and Maj. Michael T. Whitney, a member of the U.S. Army Europe Commander’s Initiative Group, discussing the U.S. response to the recent crisis in Ukraine, Operation Atlantic Resolve. The authors effectively demonstrate that the success of the operation was due to the relationships, trust, and access gained from having permanently based U.S. forces in Europe.

On page 97 is an article of particular interest by Maj. Thomas Craig. He explains the concept of loyal dissent and how, when executed properly, leaders can use loyal dissent to create the conditions for innovation by utilizing subordinates to their fullest potential. Also check out the 1st place winning entry of the 2014 Gen. William E. DePuy Writing Competition by Col. John Culclasure on page 111.

As we approach the end of this banner year, I would like to thank my entire staff for ensuring that Military Review continues to be the “go-to” journal our readers depend on for relevant and thought-provoking articles. I am very fortunate to have such an incredible group of professionals working with me.

Thank you for your continued support of Military Review. We’ll see you next year!

Military Review continues to move forward. Find us at http://usacac.army.mil/cac2/militaryreview/index.asp, or on Facebook and Twitter — follow the evolution!

Troops assigned to 3rd Squadron, 2nd Cavalry Regiment fire an M98 Javelin Weapon System during range operations conducted at Grafenwoehr Training Area located near Rose Barracks, Germany, 23 September 2014.

(photos by Sgt. William Tanner, 2nd Cavalry Regiment PAO)
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A U.S. Army Husky improvised-explosive device detection vehicle, assigned to 1221st Route Clearance Company, South Carolina Army National Guard, leads a convoy 24 June 2014 during route-clearance operations at McCrady Training Center, Eastover, S.C.

(Photo by Tech. Sgt. Jorge Intrigaio, Air National Guard)