

## Dr. Austin Long

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With experience in the theatres of Iraq and Afghanistan and the discipline of a political scientist, Austin Long leads his generation as an analyst of international security affairs. He brings a compelling narrative style to his extemporaneous talks on ISIS, American and Russian foreign policy, and the dynamics of the Middle East. His mastery of subject matter and ability to make complex subjects clear is second to none. (See his interview, *ISIS: Crisis or Crucible?* by clicking on *Security Briefs* above.) Dr. Long was an adviser to the U.S. military in Iraq from 2007 to 2008 and to the Combined Forces Special Operations Component Command in Kabul, Afghanistan in 2011 and to NATO Special Operations Component Command/Special Operations Joint Task Force 2013. From 2014 to 2015, he was a Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellow in Nuclear Security, serving in the Joint Staff J5 (Strategic Plans and Policy) Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Policy Division. Now a professor at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs and member of the Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies, he continues his research on low-intensity conflict, intelligence, military innovation and nuclear forces. His research appears in *International Security*, *Journal of Strategic Studies*, *Orbis* and *Survival*.

### **Suggested Speech Topics**

*ISIS: Roots, Realities & Responses*  
*Iraq, ISIS and the Future of U.S. Involvement in the Region*  
*The Dynamics of Today's Terrorism in the Middle East*  
*Yemen, Iran and the Threat to Oil in the Middle East*  
*The Challenge of Russia in U.S. Security Policy*

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