Texas A&M University
Symposium on United Nations Emergency Peace Service:
Rapid Response to Prevent Genocide and Protect Human Rights
Tuesday, June 20, 2023
The Bush School DC
1620 L Street NW, Washington DC 20036

10:15 – 10:30 am  Welcome and Opening Remarks
Ronald Sievert, Bush School of Government and Public Service
Charlotte Ku, Texas A&M University School of Law

10:30 am – 12:15 pm  UN Peace Operations: What We Know
Tad Daley, Citizens for Global Solutions
Why a United Nations Peace Force?
Paul Diehl, University of Illinois
Early Warning and Early Action: When Early is too Late
Lise Howard, Georgetown University and U.S. Institute of Peace
The UN and Peacekeeping Today
Eyal Mayroz, University of Sydney
Advocacy, Engagement and Teaching Responses to Mass Atrocities
Coffee service available throughout morning without a formal coffee break.

12:15 – 1:30 pm  Lunch Break

Peter Langille, Global Common Security
United Nations Emergency Peace Service
Ian Johnstone, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University
First Practical Steps: International Standing Civilian Protection Service
Victoria Holt, Dickey Center, Dartmouth College
Policy and Operational Considerations
Alistair Edgar, Wilfrid Laurier University
Political Support within Troop Contributing States
Coffee service available throughout afternoon without a formal coffee break.

3:15 – 4:00 pm  Wrap-up and Conclusion
Ronald Sievert
Charlotte Ku
SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

TAD DALEY holds a JD from the University of Illinois College of Law and a PhD from the Pardee RAND Graduate School of Policy Studies. He spent many years as a member of the International Policy Department at the RAND Corporation, as a Fellow of the RAND/UCLA Center for Soviet Studies, and as a Visiting Scholar at the UCLA Burkle Center for International Relations. He has been deeply involved with the NGO Citizens for Global Solutions (founded as the United World Federalists in 1947 with Albert Einstein as first board chair) since joining as a graduate student in 1990. He’s also served as a policy advisor, speechwriter, and/or coauthor for U.S. Senator Alan Cranston, Congressman Dennis Kucinich, Congresswoman Diane Watson, Congressman John B. Anderson, and US Senator Harris Wofford. And he's author of the book *Apocalypse Never: Forging the Path to a Nuclear Weapon-Free World* from Rutgers University Press.

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**VICTORIA K. HOLT** is the Norman E. McCulloch Jr. Director of the John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding at Dartmouth College. Prior to that, she served as Vice President at the Henry L. Stimson Center, a Washington, DC research and policy institute focused on international affairs, and directed the Transforming Conflict and Governance program. Earlier Holt was tapped to be Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Security, Bureau of International Organization Affairs (IO), and served at the State Department from 2009 to early 2017. In that role, she was responsible for policy and guidance for actions in the UN Security Council and oversaw the Offices of Peace Operations, Sanctions & Counterterrorism and UN Political Affairs. Holt led the development of U.S. diplomatic initiatives, including the 2015 Leaders' Summit on U.N. Peacekeeping, hosted by President Obama to increase capacities for UN operations.


**IAN JOHNSTONE** is a Professor of International Law at The Fletcher School, Tufts University, and Co-Director of the Center for International Law and Governance. A faculty member since the year 2000, he served as Interim Dean from 2018-2019 and Academic Dean from 2013-15. Prior to joining Fletcher, Johnstone spent close to ten years at the United Nations, working in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General and Department of Peacekeeping Operations. His most recent books include *Building an International Cybersecurity Regime: Multistakeholder Diplomacy* (Co-editor, Edward Elgar Publishing, forthcoming 2023); *Talking International Law: Legal Argumentation Outside the Courtroom* (Co-editor, Oxford University Press, 2021); *The Oxford Handbook on International Organizations* (Co-editor, Oxford University Press, 2016); *Law and Practice of the United Nations, 2nd Edition* (Co-author, Oxford University Press, 2016); and *The Power of Deliberation: International Law, Politics and Organizations* (Oxford University Press, 2011). He has been a Visiting Professor at the New York University School of Law, University of Toronto Faculty of Law, and Jindal Global University in Sonipat, India. He is currently a Member of the International Advisory Board of the International Peace Institute, New York. A citizen of Canada, he holds an LL.M. degree from Columbia University and J.D. and B.A. degrees from the University of Toronto.

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**PETER LANGILLE** specializes in peace and conflict studies, independent defense & security analysis, UN peace operations and peace initiatives. In the last Cold War, he initiated a dialogue on restructuring NATO & Warsaw Pact military doctrine and deployments to a defensive orientation. In the early 90s, Peter wrote the initial plans and proposals for converting CFB Cornwallis into a Canadian-multinational peacekeeping training centre, subsequently developed as the Pearson
Peacekeeping Training Centre, (PPC). He was one office of responsibility for the Canadian report, *Towards A Rapid Reaction Capability For The United Nations*. Peter is the primary source and author of the proposed United Nations Emergency Peace Service (UNEPS). He directs ‘Sustainable Common Security’ and can be reached at hpl@globalcommonsecurity.org.

**EYAL MAYROZ** is a Senior Lecturer in Peace and Conflict Studies at the University of Sydney. His professional background includes counterterrorism intelligence (Captain, Retd) and Middle East affairs. Eyal is a member of the [Genocide Prevention Advisory Network](#), an international network of experts advising governments on the causes, consequences, and prevention of genocide and other mass atrocities. His book *Reluctant Interveners: America's Failed Responses to Genocide from Bosnia to Darfur* (Rutgers University Press) was selected by Choice magazine as an [Outstanding Academic Title for 2020](#). The book explores interactions between policymakers, the media and public opinion in the United States in response to genocide.

**RONALD J. SIEVERT** joined the [Texas A&M University Bush School of Government and Public Service](#) faculty in 2007. Professor Sievert has extensive experience with the U.S. Department of Justice serving as Chief of the Criminal Division of the Eastern District of Texas, Chief of the Austin Division of the Western District of Texas and DOJ Assistant Director in Charge of the evaluation of all of the nation's U.S. Attorney's offices. In 1990, he was assigned to DOJ's National Security Working Group and as an International and National Security Coordinator for the Department and as legal advisor to the Central Texas Counter Terrorism Working Group. Working with the FBI, CIA and the intelligence community on both international and national security related cases, he has trained federal prosecutors, and has traveled to Kosovo, Qatar, Israel and England to teach foreign judges and prosecutors and investigate international and national security matters. He has published two books, *Cases and Materials on US Law and National Security* (2000, fourth edition 2018) and *Defense, Liberty and the Constitution* (2005) as well as eleven Law Review articles on legal issues related to national security.