

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR & EDITOR

### AUTHOR

Kristine St-Pierre holds an M.A. (Conflict Analysis and Conflict Resolution) from the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, Carleton University (2006). Her research focused on the role of natural resources in the outbreak of intrastate armed conflict in theory, and in practice through the examination of four case studies in Sub-Saharan Africa. Prior to pursuing international studies, Kristine completed an Honours B.A. in Environmental Studies from the University of Ottawa (2004). As part of this degree, she spent her final semester in Spain, studying geography at the Universidad de Granada.

Between 2002 and 2005, she held a number of positions in the fields of international security and environmental policy, in both government and non-government sectors. These included both internships and contracts at Foreign Affairs Canada, at the Climate Change Bureau and International Relations divisions of Environment Canada, at the Ontario Clean Water Agency, and in the Environmental Services division of Construction Defence Canada.

In September 2006, Kristine joined UNAC as a research consultant for the project marking the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of UN Peacekeeping. In February 2007, she joined the Canadian Mission to the European Union in Brussels, as part of a three-month internship working on issues of security and defence. She is fluent in French, English, and Spanish, and has studied Italian. She is also presently learning Swahili. Her main areas of interest are conflict prevention and resolution, UN peacekeeping, Canadian and European defence policy, as well as environmental policy and sustainable development.

## EDITOR

Emily Schroeder has five years of experience in research, program management and field experience in security and development issues. Emily obtained her Honours B.A. in Political Science and International Development Studies from McGill University in 2001. From 2001 to 2003, she worked at the United Nations in New York, analyzing disarmament negotiating fora at the UN. In the summer of 2003 she worked with the UN Department for Disarmament Affairs, in the conventional arms branch. In December 2004, Emily graduated from the Monterey Institute of International Studies (MIIS) in California, with a Master of Arts in International Policy Studies, with a focus on security and development. Research focused on disarmament, demobilization and reintegration in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. During her last semester, she undertook an International Professional Service Semester at the Institute for Security Studies in South Africa, with the Arms Management Programme, where field research was pursued on small arms issues in South Africa, Mozambique, Namibia and Swaziland.

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