DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The State of U.S. Naval Readiness

1. Where and how will continued downsizing of the U.S. Navy most affect America’s strategic agendas?

2. Should we continue to build more fleet carriers?

3. How vulnerable are U.S. surface ships to Chinese shore missile batteries?

4. How important will surface vessels and submarines become to new American missile defense systems?

5. Given budget constraints and the spiraling costs of manpower and new technologies, how can the U.S. fleet expand to any great degree?