

Dr. Rebecca Grant

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Dr. Grant earned her Ph.D. in International Relations from the London School of Economics, then worked for RAND and the offices of the Secretary of the Air Force and Chief of Staff of the Air Force. In 1995, she founded IRIS Independent Research, performing work on strategic planning for aerospace and government clients. Recent studies for the Air Force have included analysis of major campaigns from Kosovo to Afghanistan and Iraq; evaluation of air base ground defense concepts; and research on long-range strike. For the Navy, recent studies include development of metrics for Phase 0 shaping operations for Fleet Forces Command; and a study of carrier aviation concepts and roles for the new CVN-78 *Ford*-class carrier for PEO-Carriers. Other studies have included research on JSTARS missions in Afghanistan; and stealth maintenance and modernization issues.

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