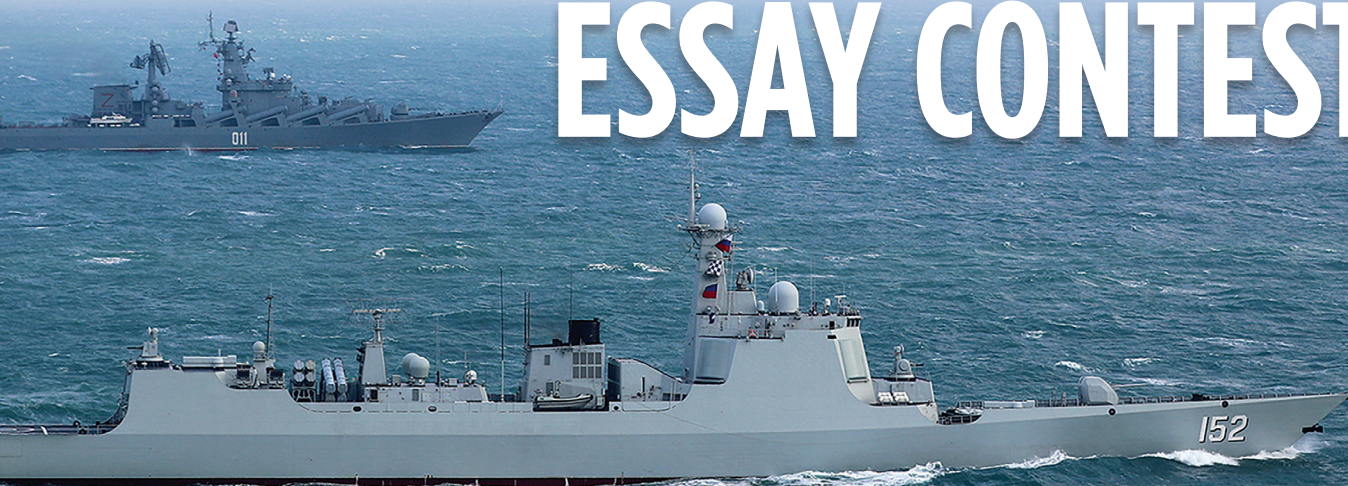# Enter the Naval Institute's
NAVAL INTELLIGENCE
ESSAY CONTEST

THE CHALLENGE

Conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East offer real-world case studies in modern technology applied to enduring conflicts. Militaries around the globe are working to understand insights from these conflicts and apply them to their own situations and national interests. At the same time, U.S. Navy leaders aspire to double down on technological change in the face of meager resources and institutional resistance. This year's Naval Intelligence Essay Contest challenges you to think about the roles of naval intelligence in this dynamic and uncertain future. Potential themes include:

- How can naval intelligence most effectively sense, understand, and convey insights from current conflicts while guarding against simplistic and misleading lessons?

- Has integrating naval intelligence into the information warfare community positioned it most effectively to support the future Navy?

- How might widespread Navy employment of unmanned systems affect naval intelligence?

- In a world in which commercial providers sell targeting-quality maritime intelligence as a service, what is the role of naval intelligence professionals in a future Navy?

- What lessons does the recent real-world employment of land-based fires against maritime platforms offer for naval intelligence?

THE REWARD

First Prize: $5,000
Second Prize: $2,500
Third Prize: $1,500

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Word Count: **2,500 words maximum** (excludes endnotes/resources).

- Include word count on title page of essay but do not include author name(s) on title page or within the essay.

- Submit essay as a Word document online at **www.usni.org/naval intelligence** by **31 July 2024**.

- Essay must be original and not previously published (online or in print) or being considered for publication elsewhere.

For more details visit
usni.org/navalintelligence

Thank you to our cosponsor
www.navintpro.org