



2010 Provost Award Winner for Excellence in Research and Scholarship

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COL (Ret) Dennis Barlow is a retired U.S. Army Colonel who previously was the Director of Humanitarian Policy in the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the first leader of the Humanitarian Demining Task Force in the Pentagon. He was Director of the Center for International Stabilization and Recovery from its founding as the Mine Action Information Center in 2004 until February 2010. He has coordinated civil-military actions with NGOs and the UN in Panama, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Kurdistan, and Haiti. He has been the director of the Mine Action Information Center at James Madison University since 1997. In that time he has led the effort to develop such mine action tools as the MAIC web site and the *Journal of Mine Action*, and supervised more than a dozen major studies. Under his leadership the MAIC has conducted more than 20 major conferences and workshops, and has been contracted to serve the U.S. Department of Defense, the U.S. Department of State, the governments of Switzerland, Canada, Slovenia, and the UN in support of key landmine issues. He currently works as a special adviser to the Vice Provost for Research and Public Service at James Madison University.