

**RETIREED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)  
invites you to attend its meeting, on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2013.  
First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Pl., Greenwich.**

**Dr. PAUL STRASSMANN**

**CYBERWARFARE: THE BATTLEFIELD FOR OUR FUTURE**



Cyberwarfare are actions taken by a nation state to penetrate another nation's computers or networks for the purpose of causing damage or disruption. The Pentagon recognizes that "cyberspace is the fifth domain of warfare", as critical to the nation's defense as land, sea, air and space.

Cyber espionage is the act of obtaining sensitive proprietary or classified information for political, military or economic advantage. Military activities that use computers and satellites for coordination are at risk of equipment disruption (sabotage). Electrical power grids, water, fuel, communications and transportation are all vulnerable to attack. In today's world of scarce resources, industrial espionage increasingly takes on national security implications. The recently formed USCYBERCOM makes explicit that a cyberattack could be a *casus belli*, just as a traditional act of war.

But the problem impacts national security far beyond intrusions from nation states. Concerns extend to terrorist organizations, to any private group with a political agenda, or simply hackers.

Dr. Paul Strassmann is the Distinguished Professor of Information Sciences at George Mason University as well as researcher at the International Data Corporation. In 1985 he retired as Chief Information Officer at Xerox to serve as Director of Defense Information, responsible for organizing the Corporate Information Management program at the Department of Defense. He is the recipient of the Defense Medal for Distinguished Service, DOD's highest civilian recognition. He was the Chief Information Officer at NASA, receiving the NASA Exceptional Service Medal. He has been a consultant for numerous private companies, including IBM, AT&T, General Electric, General Motors and Citicorp. He is the recipient of the General Stefanik Medal for his actions as a guerilla commando in Czechoslovakia in World War II.

**RMA members and their guests should arrive by 9:45 AM for our full meeting. The general public should plan to arrive at 10:45 AM. Meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church in Greenwich. No Charge and No Reservations are required. For additional information, call Bernard Schneider, 203-698-2558;bgsesq@gmail.com.**