Adm. Richardson discusses maritime domain with War College students

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Adm. John Richardson, Chief of Naval Operations, shares his insights on maritime power with Army War College students during a presentation in Bliss Hall Oct. 9. Richardson stressed the importance of growing joint partnerships.

CARLISLE, **Pa.** (Oct. 9, 2018) – The senior U.S. Navy officer discussed maritime power with the joint student body of the Army War College.

Adm. John Richardson, Chief of Naval Operations, addressed the student body Oct. 9, and highlighted the importance of working closely with joint partners to leverage the advantages of each service.

He offered a relatively brief set of prepared remarks, and devoted extensive time to student questions. Their interests ranged from managing risk with potential adversaries, to artificial intelligence and anti-access area denial.

The students asked Richardson about concept of anti-access area denial, the preservation of freedom of maneuver, and if the Navy is developing initiatives to combat this threat. Richardson reasoned that anti-access area denial is not a new idea, and looking back at the history of conflict, it has always been about precision and reach.

"Here at the Army War College, a Navy guy gets to come up and talk about how dynamic, fast changing and important the maritime domain is to the security of the nation," said Richardson in a follow-on interview. "More than ever in our history, I think, there is an imperative for all sister services to work together, to truly come together as a joint force ... to secure our nation in this emerging era of great power competition."

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