

The Cyber-SOF-Space Triad and the Future of Army Special Operations

Description

Episode 78 of the *Irregular Warfare Podcast* explores the evolution of Army special operations forces (ARSOF) and the ways that ARSOF can contribute to future irregular warfare campaigns around the world.

Our guests begin by addressing current geopolitical trends and future threats to the United States and its allies. They then delve into the storied history of America's irregular forces, and discuss how past lessons can inform future ARSOF operating paradigms. Lieutenant General Jonathan P. Braga and author P. W. Singer also consider the dynamic nature of innovation and discuss how the special operations community is adopting new warfighting concepts in the digital age. Finally, our guests conclude with several recommendations on how to optimize ARSOF for the future of irregular warfare.

[Lieutenant General Braga](#) currently serves as the commanding general of United States Army Special Operations Command. Over the course of his three-decades-long career in the military, he has led American and coalition forces in multiple combat theaters around the globe. A 1991 West Point graduate, he received his master's degree from the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. Earlier this year, he released the [ARSOF strategy document](#), which serves as the anchor for today's conversation.

[P. W. Singer](#) is a *New York Times* best-selling author and one of America's premier futurists in the national security space. He has authored and coauthored multiple highly acclaimed books, to include *Burn-In*, *LikeWar*, and *Ghost Fleet*. He received his PhD in government from Harvard University and a BA from the School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University.

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