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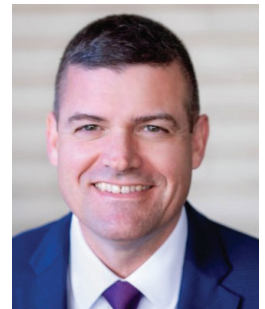
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In this session of the Forum, retired Col. Matt Dimmick will provide a “Battlefield Update Briefing” on the Russian-Ukraine War.

Currently the European Regional Program Manager for Spirit of America, Dimmick, who just returned from his sixth visit to Ukraine, will describe how this non-profit organization is supporting U.S. national security and foreign policy objectives in Ukraine, Poland, and Moldova. The current war in Ukraine has brought to the forefront the threat Russia presents and laid bare not only Russian capabilities and limitations but NATO’s vulnerabilities. Dimmick will provide a unique “boots on the ground” perspective to the current war in Ukraine and the multi-national efforts surrounding it.

Dimmick served 29 years in uniform, retiring in 2021. He most recently served as Director for Russia and Eastern Europe on the National Security Council Staff during the Trump and Biden administrations. Previously, Matt was the Russia Director for the Secretary of Defense from 2016 to 2019. He also held the positions as Defense Attaché in Tbilisi, Georgia, Deputy Foreign Policy Advisor for the Chief of Staff of the Army, and Assistant Army Attaché in Moscow.

Dimmick is a graduate of the United States Military Academy, holds a Master of Arts in National Strategy from the Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, and a Master of Arts in Russian and Eastern European Studies from the University of Kansas.



Col. (Ret.) Matt Dimmick

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