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## Dr. Peter Vincent Pry



Dr. Pry is the Executive Director of Task Force on National and Homeland Security, a Congressional Advisory Board dedicated to achieving protection of the United States from electromagnetic pulse (EMP), cyber-attack, mass destruction terrorism and other

threats to civilian critical infrastructures on an accelerated basis. Dr. Pry is also the Director of the United States Nuclear Strategy Forum, a Congressional Advisory Board dedicated to developing policies to counter Weapons of Mass Destruction. In 2015, Dr. Pry testified in Denver on Colorado's first attempt to pass EMP/GMD legislation. Dr. Pry also continues to serve on the Congressional EMP Commission, like his fellow commissioners, despite the current lack of Congressional funding.

Dr. Pry has written numerous books on national security issues, including:

- **The Long Sunday: Nuclear EMP Attack Scenarios (2016);**
- **Blackout Wars: State Initiatives to Achieve Preparedness against an EMP Catastrophe(2015);**

- **Electric Armageddon: Civil-Military Preparedness for an Electromagnetic Pulse Catastrophe (2013);**
- **Apocalypse Unknown: The Struggle to Protect America from an EMP Catastrophe (2013);**
- **War Scare: Russia and America on the Nuclear Brink (1999);**
- **War Scare: Nuclear Countdown after the Soviet Fall (1997);**
- **Strategic Nuclear Balance, Vol. 2: Nuclear Wars Exchanges & Outcomes (1990);**
- **Strategic Nuclear Balance, Vol. 1: And Why It Matters (Doctoral Dissertation, 1988); and**
- **Israel's Nuclear Arsenal (1986).**

Dr. Pry often appears on TV and radio as an expert on national security issues. The BBC

made his book **War Scare** into a two-hour TV documentary titled **Soviet War Scare 1983**. His book **Electric Armageddon** was the basis for another TV documentary by National Geographic titled **Electronic Armageddon**. He also holds a certification in nuclear weapons design.

Dr. Pry has served as contributing editor on several articles for Family Security Matters and has written numerous articles regarding current events and their impact on America.

Dr. Pry served on the staffs of the Congressional Commission on the Strategic Posture of the United States (2008-2009); the Commission on the New Strategic Posture of the United States (2006-2008); and the Commission to Assess the Threat to the United States from Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) Attack (2001-2008). He served as Professional Staff on the House Armed

Services Committee (HASC) of the U.S. Congress, with portfolios in nuclear strategy, WMD, Russia, China, NATO, the Middle East, Intelligence, and Terrorism (1995-2001).

While serving on the HASC, Dr. Pry was chief advisor to the Vice Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee and the Vice Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, and to the Chairman of the Terrorism Panel. Dr. Pry played a key role in running hearings in Congress that warned terrorists and rogue states could pose an EMP threat; establishing the Congressional EMP Commission; helping the Commission develop plans to protect the United States from EMP; and working closely with senior scientists who first discovered the nuclear EMP phenomenon. Dr. Pry was an Intelligence Officer with the

Central Intelligence Agency responsible for analyzing Soviet and Russian nuclear strategy, operational plans, military doctrine, threat perceptions, and developing U.S. paradigms for strategic warning (1985-1995). He also served as a Verification Analyst at the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency responsible for assessing Soviet compliance with strategic and military arms control treaties (1984-1985).

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