

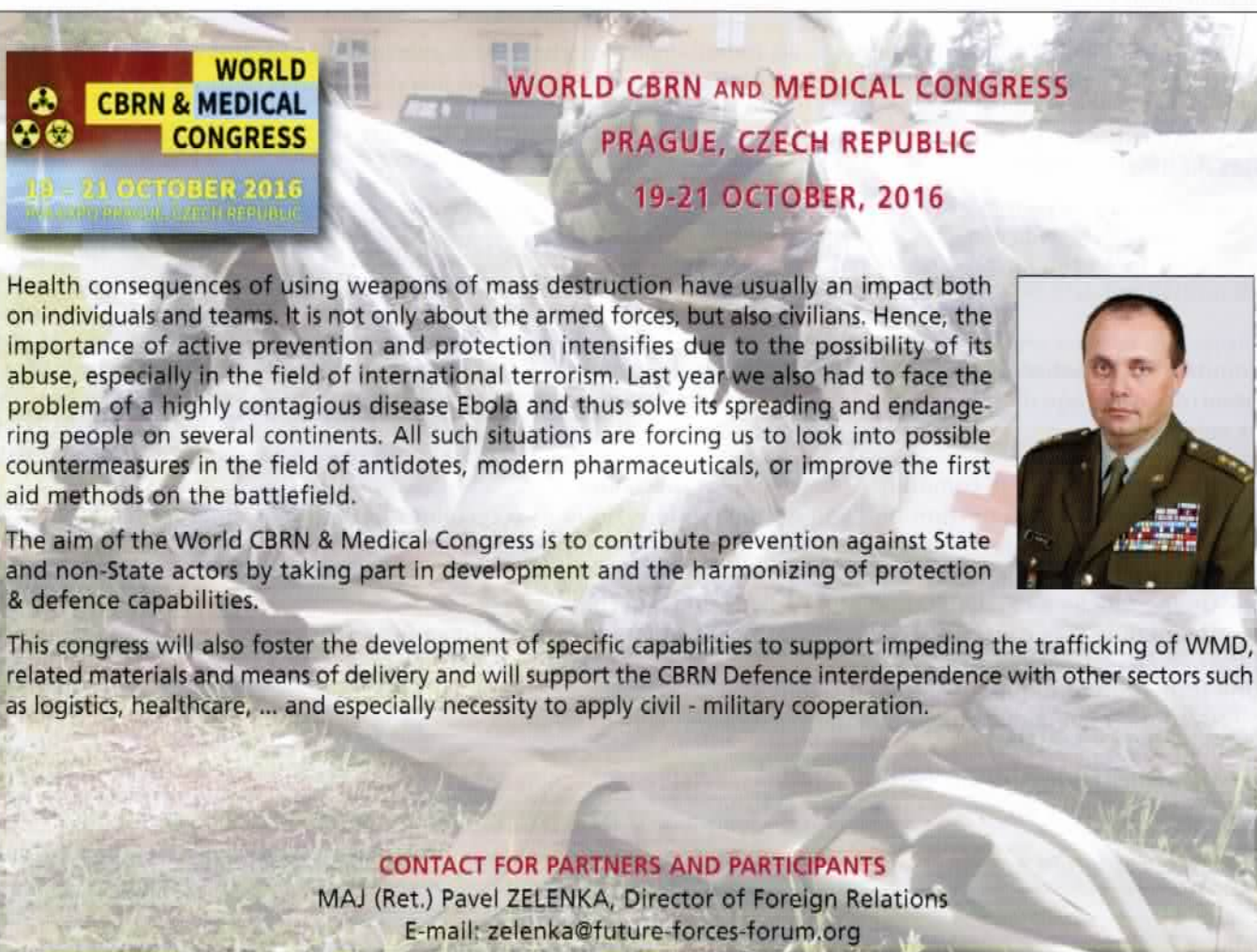
Part two contains a rich representation of the most frequently used acronyms and abbreviations used in the field of disaster medicine and humanitarian relief. Overall, this new edition contains more than 3,000 entries with up-to-date supplementation of terms related to climate change and bioterrorism. It is highly readable, well-organized, and easy to understand, which facilitates quick orientation to pertinent issues. Every employee involved in disciplines dealing with natural or industrial mass disasters, whether in domestic or international environments, should have this invaluable tool close at hand. It can also serve as an excellent teaching tool and it is, therefore, not surprising that it has been recommended as the official teaching aid in numerous courses organized by the UN. Numerous authorities and institutions dealing with (for example) issues related to refugees, migration or terrorism could benefit from having this tool available when dealing with current global challenges.

The book and its author have also received international awards: In 2014, Dr. Gunn received the A. Meneghetti Award for his life-long contributions to science and humanism⁽³⁾. *The Dictionary of Disaster Medicine and Humanitarian Relief* is heartily recommended; not only for use among employees of integrated rescue systems, but also other professionals from various disciplines worldwide.

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Health consequences of using weapons of mass destruction have usually an impact both on individuals and teams. It is not only about the armed forces, but also civilians. Hence, the importance of active prevention and protection intensifies due to the possibility of its abuse, especially in the field of international terrorism. Last year we also had to face the problem of a highly contagious disease Ebola and thus solve its spreading and endangering people on several continents. All such situations are forcing us to look into possible countermeasures in the field of antidotes, modern pharmaceuticals, or improve the first aid methods on the battlefield.

The aim of the World CBRN & Medical Congress is to contribute prevention against State and non-State actors by taking part in development and the harmonizing of protection & defence capabilities.

This congress will also foster the development of specific capabilities to support impeding the trafficking of WMD, related materials and means of delivery and will support the CBRN Defence interdependence with other sectors such as logistics, healthcare, ... and especially necessity to apply civil - military cooperation.

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