COLONEL JAMES V. SLAVIN
US Army, Retired

James V. Slavin received his commission through the US Military Academy on 2 June 1975. In 1977, LT Slavin served his first assignment as an Infantry Battalion S2 and Infantry Company Commander for 506th Infantry Battalion (CURRAHEE), 101st Airborne Division. After earning his first Master's degree, he went on to become the Detachment Commander at Field Station Augsburg in Germany. While there, he was promoted to Captain, and served as Watch Officer and later, Battalion S3.

In 1983, CPT Slavin served one year as an instructor at the US Military Academy at West Point. In 1986, he became the Operations Officer for the 525th MI Brigade at Fort Bragg, North Carolina where he excelled and was selected to serve as the 519th MI Tactical Exploitation Battalion S3 and later the Battalion Executive Officer, both very challenging positions for a young officer. MAJ Slavin next served as the Assistant G2 of Operations and later Deputy G2 of the 7th Infantry Division at Fort Ord, California. While there, MAJ Slavin instituted, for the first time, counter-drug Intelligence Preparation of the Battlefield methodology.

MAJ Slavin was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel during his assignment as the Regional Division Commander, Joint Intelligence Center, Atlantic Command in Norfolk, Virginia. In 1998, LTC Slavin returned to Fort Bragg to serve as the Director of Intelligence for Special Operations Division, Delta Force, only leaving this unique assignment to serve overseas at Camp Zama, Japan as the G2 of US Army Japan. During his time in Japan, COL Slavin was selected by ADM Dennis Blair, Pacific Command Commander, to command the US Support Group (East Timor), deploying just days after the terrorist attacks on 11 September 2001.

COL Slavin served in several Intelligence positions at Fort Huachuca, Arizona and in 2003 became the Director of Joint and Allied Doctrine for Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC), Fort Monroe, Virginia. COL Slavin finished his Active Duty career as a Strategic Planner for the Coalition Provisional Authority, Baghdad, Iraq.

COL Slavin retired from the US Army in 2005 after 30 years of service. He continued to serve within the Army's Senior Executive Service as the Director of TRADOC's Joint Training Counter-Improvised Explosive Device Operations Integration Center.

COL Slavin's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army and Air Force Achievement Medals, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, the Army Superior Unit Award, the National Defense Service Medal (1 Bronze Service Star), the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Humanitarian Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the Air Assault Badge, and the Master Parachutist Badge.

COL Slavin was inducted into the MI Hall of Fame in 2012.

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