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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY CLOSED MEETING REPORT of the DEFENSE POLICY BOARD

Under Section 10 (d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act

The Defense Policy Board (DPB) met on March 5 and 6, 2024, at the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. The objective of the meeting was to receive classified briefings and provide recommendations regarding the potential impact(s) of PRC attacks on U.S. DCI that would be aimed at disrupting Department of Defense efforts to mobilize, project, and sustain the joint force. Leveraging its breadth of experience, the Board offered perspectives on anticipated competition/conflict between DoD and civil society requirements for access to mission-enabling rail, air, road, and maritime transportation assets and infrastructure. The Board received briefings from several Senior members of the Department of Defense and interagency and provided an outbrief to the Secretary of Defense. The meeting was closed to the public pursuant to the provision of Section 552(b)(c)(1), Title 5, United States Code. The determination was based on the consideration that the discussion involved classified information.

Meeting Attendance:

Board Members

- 1. The Honorable Janine A. Davidson, PhD., Chair
- 2. Mr. Tom Donilon
- 3. Ambassador Eric S. Edelman
- 4. Ambassador John Huntsman
- 5. Mr. Richard Fontaine
- 6. General John "Jack" Keane, U.S. Army (Ret.)
- 7. Ms. Anja L. Manuel, J.D.
- 8. Mr. Rexon Ryu
- 9. Hon Dana Smith
- 10. Dr. Kori N. Schake, PhD.
- 11. Mr. H. Patrick Swygert, J.D.
- 12. Dr. Caitlin Talmadge, PhD.

Speakers and Presenters

- 1. Hon Lloyd Austin
- 2. Hon Melissa Dalton
- 3. Ms. Madeline Mortelmans
- 4. Ms. Rebecca Zimmerman
- 5. Mr. Thomas Sisk
- 6. Ms. Kolleen Yacoub
- 7. Ms. Teresa Whelan
- 8. Ms. Lauren Murphy
- 9. Gen David Allvin
- 10. Ms. Caitlin Durkovich
- 11. Mr. Thomas McDermott
- 12. Gen Gregory Guillot
- 13. Gen Jacqueline Van Ovost

Dr. Janine A. Davidson

Chair

Lt Col Jesse Humpal

Designated Federal Official