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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 met on September 6 and 7, 2022 at the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. The objective of the meeting was to receive classified briefings and hold classified discussions in response to a task from the Deputy Secretary of Defense to examine how the People's Republic of China and the Russian Federation's potential development of fractional orbital bombardment systems and space-to-ground weapons could impact U.S. deterrence and strategic stability, as well as consider the potential U.S. response options to the potential development of such capabilities by any adversary. Additionally, the Board participated in a tabletop exercise to provide input to the Deputy Secretary of Defense on a classified Pacific-based scenario. The Board was addressed by the Deputy Secretary of Defense and the Undersecretary of Defense for Policy and received classified intelligence briefings and classified briefings from U.S. Space Command, the Missile Defense Agency, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space Policy, and the Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of Arms Control, Verification and Compliance.

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 government classified information.

Meeting Attendance:

Board Members

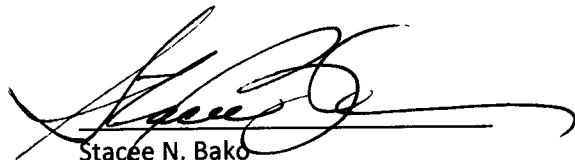
1. The Honorable Janine A. Davidson, PhD., Chair
2. Colonel Herman E. Bulls, U.S. Army Reserves (Ret.)
3. The Honorable Ashton B. Carter, PhD.
4. Dr. Victor D. Cha, PhD.
5. The Honorable Thomas E. Donilon, J.D.
6. Ambassador Eric S. Edelman
7. The Honorable Michèle A. Flournoy
8. Mr. Richard H. Fontaine, Jr.
9. General John "Jack" Keane, U.S. Army (Ret.)
10. Dr. Henry Kissinger, PhD
11. Ms. Anja L. Manuel, J.D.
12. Dr. Michael O'Hanlon, PhD.
13. Dr. Kori N. Schake, PhD.
14. The Honorable (Dr.) Rajiv J. Shah, M.D.
15. Ambassador Dana Shell Smith
16. Mr. H. Patrick Swygert, J.D.

Speakers and Presenters

1. Mr. Larry Gershwin
2. General David Thompson
3. VADM Jon A. Hill
4. General James H. Dickinson
5. Dr. John Plumb
6. Ms. Mallory Stewart
7. Dr. Mara Karlin
8. RDML Thomas M. Henderschedt
9. Maj Gen James Adams
10. Mr. Tom Sisk
11. Mr. Dale Rielage
12. Admiral Christopher Grady
13. Dr. Kathleen Hicks



Janine A. Davidson
Chair



Stacey N. Bako
Designated Federal Officer