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Annual Reagan National Defense Forum to Convene December 2 & 3 at Ronald Reagan Presidential Library

The premier defense summit will feature prominent stakeholders in the national security community on in-person panels

WASHINGTON, DC — The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute has announced the date for the annual Reagan National Defense Forum (RNDF) at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley, California, December 2-3, 2022.

RNDF brings together leaders from across the political spectrum and key stakeholders in the defense community, including Members of Congress, current and former Administration officials, senior military leadership, business and industry leaders, technology innovators, and national security policy experts. Their mission is to review and assess policies that strengthen America's national defense in the context of the global threat environment.

RNDF offers the defense community a chance to come together to discuss and debate how the United States can lead the world in an era of increasingly complex challenges and opportunities.

In 2021, RNDF hosted the following distinguished guests:

- Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III
- Admiral John Aquilino, Commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command
- General **David H. Berger**, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps
- General **Charles Q. Brown Jr.**, Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force
- Mike Brown, Former Director, Defense Innovation Unit
- Representative Ken Calvert (R-CA), Ranking Member, House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee
- Elbridge A. Colby, Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy and Force Development
- Representative Jim Cooper (D-TN)
- Representative Jason Crow (D-CO)
- Hon. Carlos Del Toro, Secretary, U.S. Navy
- Senator Tammy Duckworth (D-IL)
- Senator Joni Ernst (R-IA)
- Hon. **Mark T. Esper**, Former Secretary of Defense
- Hon. **Michèle Flournoy**, Former Under Secretary of Defense for Policy
- Representative Mike Gallagher (R-WI)

- Admiral **Michael M. Gilday**, Chief of Naval Operations, U.S. Navy
- Marillyn Hewson, Former President and CEO of Lockheed Martin Corporation
- Representative Chrissy Houlahan (D-PA)
- Hon. Frank Kendall, Secretary, U.S. Air Force
- Joe Lonsdale, Co-Founder and Managing Partner, 8VC
- General James C. McConville, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army
- Hon. Howard P. "Buck" McKeon, Former Chair, House Armed Services Committee
- General **Paul M. Nakasone**, Commander, U.S. Cyber Command
- Hon. Leon Panetta, Former Secretary of Defense
- Senator Jack Reed (D-RI), Chair, Senate Armed Services Committee
- General Laura J. Richardson, Commander, U.S. Southern Command
- Representative Mike Rogers (R-AL), Ranking Member, House Armed Services Committee
- Karl Rove, Former Deputy Chief of Staff for President George W. Bush
- Dr. Nadia Schadlow, Former Deputy National Security Advisor for Strategy
- Hon. **Heidi Shyu**, Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering
- Representative Adam Smith (D-WA), Chair, House Armed Services Committee
- Hon. **Jim Talent**, Former U.S. Senator (R-MO)
- General **David D. Thompson**, Vice Chief of Space Operations, U.S. Space Force
- Hon. **William M. "Mac" Thornberry**, Former Chair, House Armed Services Committee
- Representative Michael Waltz (R-FL)
- Hon. **Pete Wilson**, Former Governor of California
- Hon. Robert O. Work, Former Deputy Secretary of Defense
- Hon. **Christine Wormuth**, Secretary, U.S. Army

Attendance at RNDF is by invitation only. Media who wish to attend must <u>RSVP HERE</u>, and a member of the media relations team will follow up to confirm credentials.

What: The Reagan National Defense Forum

Who: Members of Congress, civilian and military leadership of the Department of

Defense, former officials, scholars, defense industry leaders, and members

of the press

When: Friday-Saturday, December 2-3, 2022

Where: Ronald Reagan Presidential Library

40 Presidential Drive Simi Valley, CA 93065

For more information, visit www.RNDF.org and follow @ReaganInstitute.

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About the Reagan Foundation and Institute:

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute is the nonprofit organization created by President Reagan himself and specifically charged by him with continuing his legacy and sharing his principles - individual liberty, economic opportunity, global democracy and national pride. The Foundation is a non-partisan organization which sustains the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum in Simi Valley, CA, the Reagan Center for Public Affairs, the Presidential Learning Center, The Air Force One Pavilion and the award-winning Discovery Center, as well as the Reagan Institute, which carries out the Foundation's work in Washington, D.C. The Reagan Library houses over 55 million pages of Gubernatorial, Presidential and personal papers and over 60,000 gifts and artifacts chronicling the lives of Ronald and Nancy Reagan. It also serves as the final resting place of America's 40th President and his First Lady. www.reaganfoundation.org