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OMB Director Russell Vought, CJCS General Dan Caine to speak at 2025 Reagan National Defense Forum

RNDF will bring together senior public and private sector defense and national security leaders at the Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley, California, on December 5-6

WASHINGTON, DC – The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute today announced Director of the Office of Management and Budget Russell Vought and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Dan Caine will participate in fireside chats at this year’s Reagan National Defense Forum (RNDF) in Simi Valley, California, on December 6, 2025. Director Vought’s session will focus on reindustrialization and shipbuilding as key priorities of this administration. General Caine will discuss the global threat environment and the role of the military in ensuring peace through strength.

Since 2013, RNDF has brought together public and private sector national security leaders, including Members of Congress, senior administration officials, foreign dignitaries, and leaders in business, industry, and technology, for the most consequential annual discussion of U.S. defense policy.

“In a time of increasingly complex global threats, restoring deterrence is a national imperative, and leaders of all stripes agree peace through strength is the way to do so,” said Roger Zakheim, Director of the Ronald Reagan Institute. “We are honored to have Director Vought and General Caine join an exceptional lineup of speakers at this year’s RNDF, where our national defense leaders will once again come together to ensure the United States remains ready to defend freedom and preserve peace.”

This year’s forum will address the most pressing issues in U.S. defense policy, including innovation and emerging technology priorities, challenges in space and missile defense, and defense budgets and acquisition reform. The RNDF agenda can be viewed [HERE](#).

Attendance at RNDF is by invitation only. Media who wish to attend must request credentials [HERE](#), and a member of the media relations team will follow up to confirm credentials. Additional featured attendees, including Members of Congress, senior Pentagon officials, and industry leaders, will be announced in coming weeks.

- What: Reagan National Defense Forum
- Who: Members of Congress, senior civilian and military leadership of the Pentagon, former government officials, defense industry leaders, and members of the press

- When: Friday-Saturday, December 5-6, 2025
- Where: Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, 40 Presidential Drive, Simi Valley, CA 93065

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

About the Reagan Foundation and Institute

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute (RRPFI) is the sole nonprofit organization created by President Reagan charged with advancing his legacy and principles – individual liberty, economic opportunity, freedom and democracy, peace through strength, and national pride.

A globally recognized nonpartisan organization based in Simi Valley, CA, with a leading policy institute in Washington, DC, RRPFI delivers impactful public affairs programming, policy convenings and projects of national and international significance, and distinctive educational initiatives. In addition, RRPFI sustains the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum, the largest and most visited presidential library, which routinely hosts major special exhibitions.

An hour from Los Angeles International Airport, RRPFI's Simi Valley campus sits on 400 acres, serves as the final resting place of America's 40th President and former First Lady Nancy Reagan, displays a chunk of the Berlin Wall, and houses the plane President Reagan flew on as Air Force One to 26 countries. Onsite are the Reagan Center for Public Affairs, Presidential Learning Center, Air Force One Pavilion, and the Reagan Leadership Academy. More information is available at www.reaganfoundation.org.

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