



# REAGAN NATIONAL DEFENSE FORUM

PEACE THROUGH STRENGTH: DETERRING AGGRESSION AND DEFENDING FREEDOM

DECEMBER 6-7, 2019 • THE RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY • SIMI VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

## RNDF AGENDA

Subject to Change

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

4:30 PM

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SECOND LEVEL

#### CHECK-IN OPENS

*RNDF credentials and lanyards will be distributed at the Air Force One Pavilion, Second Level. Please be sure to keep your credential on at all times while on campus.*

5:15 PM

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REAGAN'S PUB

#### WELCOME RECEPTION

*All RNDF attendees and speakers are welcome and guided Museum tours available.*

7:00 PM

THROUGHOUT THE  
REAGAN LIBRARY CAMPUS

#### POLICY BREAKOUT DINNERS

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### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

6:30 AM

AIR FORCE ONE PAVILION  
SECOND LEVEL

#### CHECK-IN OPENS

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7:30 AM – 8:45 AM

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FIRST LEVEL

#### BREAKFAST & PANEL 1

##### WHAT AMERICANS THINK: PUBLIC OPINION ON DEFENSE & NATIONAL SECURITY GOING INTO 2020

###### Panelists:

- Mr. William "Bill" Brown, Chair, President and CEO, L3 Harris Technologies
- Rep. Liz Cheney, Chair, House Republican Conference | U.S. Representative, Wyoming
- Sen. Tammy Duckworth, U.S. Senator, Illinois
- Mr. Karl Rove, Former Deputy Chief of Staff, President George W. Bush

**Moderator:** Mr. Jonathan Karl, *ABC News*

9:00 AM – 9:45 AM

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#### TRAINING AND EQUIPPING THE JOINT FORCE TO EXECUTE THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STRATEGY

###### Panelists:

- Gen. David Berger, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps
- Adm. Michael Gilday, Chief of Naval Operations, U.S. Navy
- Gen. David Goldfein, Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force
- Gen. James McConville, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army

**Moderator:** Ms. Jennifer Griffin, *Fox News*

9:50 AM – 10:20 AM

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#### FIRESIDE CHAT

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10:20 AM – 10:45 AM

*Morning Break*

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10:45 AM – 11:35 AM

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## PANEL 2

### UNDERSTANDING AND LEVERAGING THE NATIONAL SECURITY INNOVATION BASE

#### Presentation of Task Force Report:

- Sen. Jim Talent, Reagan Institute Task Force Co-Chair | Former U.S. Senator, Missouri
- Hon. Robert Work, Reagan Institute Task Force Co-Chair | Former U.S. Deputy Secretary of Defense

#### Panel Discussion:

- Ms. Leanne Caret, President and CEO, Boeing Defense, Space & Security
- Hon. Ryan McCarthy, Secretary, U.S. Army
- Rep. Seth Moulton, U.S. Representative, Massachusetts

**Moderator:** Mr. Gordon Lubold, *The Wall Street Journal*

10:45 AM – 11:35 AM

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## PANEL 3

### DEFENSE TRANSFORMATION: EVOLUTION OR REVOLUTION?

#### Panelists:

- Mr. Elbridge Colby, Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy and Force Development
- Hon. Ellen Lord, U.S. Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment
- Mr. Horacio Rozanski, President and CEO, Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc.
- Ms. Kathy Warden, Chair, President and CEO, Northrop Grumman Corporation

**Moderator:** Mr. Michael Gordon, *The Wall Street Journal*

11:45 AM – 12:45 PM

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## KEYNOTE ADDRESS

### THE HONORABLE MARK ESPER, U.S. SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

**Moderator:** Mr. Bret Baier, *Fox News*

12:45 PM – 1:30 PM

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## LUNCHEON

1:40 PM – 2:30 PM

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## PANEL 4

### STRENGTHENING NUCLEAR DETERRENCE: MODERNIZING THE TRIAD AND SUSTAINING ARMS CONTROL IN A POST-INF WORLD

#### Panelists:

- Hon. Eric Edelman, Former U.S. Under Secretary of Defense for Policy | Former U.S. Ambassador to Turkey and Finland
- Hon. Lisa Gordon-Hagerty, Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, U.S. Department of Energy | Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration
- Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, U.S. Senator, New Hampshire
- Rep. Mike Turner, U.S. Representative, Ohio

**Moderator:** Mr. Marcus Weisgerber, *Defense One*

1:40 PM – 2:30 PM

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## PANEL 5

### HARNESSING AND SECURING AMERICAN INNOVATION: HOW VENTURE CAPITAL IMPACTS DEFENSE

#### Panelists:

- Mr. Michael Brown, Director, Defense Innovation Unit
- Ms. Lisa Hershman, Acting Chief Management Officer, U.S. Department of Defense
- Mr. Peter Thiel, Partner, Founders Fund | Co-Founder and Chair, Palantir Technologies
- Mr. Josh Wolfe, Co-Founder and Managing Partner, Lux Capital

**Moderator:** Ms. Morgan Brennan, *CNBC*

2:40 PM – 3:30 PM

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## PANEL 6

### U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS AFTER THE TRADE WAR: IMPACTS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AND DEFENSE

#### Panelists:

- Gen. Hawk Carlisle, USAF, Ret., President and CEO, National Defense Industrial Association
- Adm. Philip Davidson, Commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command
- Sen. Joni Ernst, U.S. Senator, Iowa
- Rep. Stephanie Murphy, U.S. Representative, Florida

**Moderator:** Ms. Kate O'Keefe, *The Wall Street Journal*

2:40 PM – 3:30 PM

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## PANEL 7

### NEXT STEPS IN SPACE: LAUNCHING AMERICA'S SIXTH MILITARY BRANCH

#### Panelists:

- Hon. Barbara Barrett, Secretary, U.S. Air Force
- Mr. Tory Bruno, President and CEO, United Launch Alliance
- Hon. Kathleen Hicks, Former Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy
- Rep. Mike Rogers, U.S. Representative, Alabama

**Moderator:** Mr. Aaron Mehta, *Defense News*

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3:40 PM – 4:30 PM

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## PANEL 8

### THE TECHNOLOGICAL COLD WAR? HOW OPEN AND CLOSED SOCIETIES COMPETE IN THE 21ST CENTURY

#### Panelists:

- Rep. Mike Gallagher, U.S. Representative, Wisconsin
- Gen. Paul Nakasone, Commander, U.S. Cyber Command | Director, National Security Agency | Chief, Central Security Service
- Rep. Adam Smith, Chair, House Armed Services Committee | U.S. Representative, Washington
- Mr. Brad Smith, President, Microsoft

**Moderator:** Mr. Julian Barnes, *The New York Times*

3:40 PM – 4:30 PM

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## PANEL 9

### ADVANCING U.S. NATIONAL DEFENSE: WORKING WITH ALLIES AND PARTNERS

#### Panelists:

- Hon. Michèle Flournoy, Former U.S. Under Secretary of Defense for Policy
- Hon. Ng Eng Hen, Minister for Defence, Singapore
- Hon. Peter Hultqvist, Minister for Defence, Sweden
- Hon. John Rood, U.S. Under Secretary of Defense for Policy

**Moderator:** Mr. Fred Hiatt, *The Washington Post*

4:45 PM – 5:30 PM

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## PANEL 10

### FROM SYRIA TO CHINA: THE ROLE OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY IN DEFENSE POLICY

#### Panelists:

- Gen. James Mattis, USMC, Ret., Former U.S. Secretary of Defense
- Hon. Leon Panetta, Former U.S. Secretary of Defense | Former Director, Central Intelligence Agency

**Moderator:** Ms. Courtney Kube, *NBC News*

5:30 PM – 6:05 PM

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## CLOSING SESSION

### THE HONORABLE ROBERT O'BRIEN, U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR

**Moderator:** Mr. Bill Hemmer, *Fox News*

6:05 PM – 6:30 PM

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## PEACE THROUGH STRENGTH RECEPTION

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6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

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## PEACE THROUGH STRENGTH AWARD DINNER

*2019 Peace Through Strength Award Recipients: Senator Sam Nunn & General James N. Mattis, USMC, Ret.*

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## LOCATION

RNDF will be held at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, 40 Presidential Drive in Simi Valley, California.

## ATTENDEES

Over 700 participants from the key communities that shape our national defense outlook including Members of Congress, the civilian and military leadership of the Department of Defense, current administration officials, former officials, scholars, thought leaders, defense industry representatives, and members of the press. RNDF is a private event hosted by the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute; attendance is by invitation-only.

## PRESS

RNDF sessions on Saturday, December 7 from 7:30 AM to 6:05 PM are open to the press for coverage.

## ATTIRE

Friday Events: Business Casual; Saturday Events: Business Attire / Military Service Dress equivalent.

For programming updates, please visit [RNDF.org](http://RNDF.org)

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