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Ladies & Gentlemen, below please find this week's edition of *Executive Insight Brief* from The Roosevelt Group. On Monday, the President will submit his proposed FY2021 budget to the Congress. We will go through that as quickly as we can, and then send out details relevant to Hampton Roads.

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TOP STORIES

McConnell displays mastery of Senate with impeachment victory

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) scored a major victory for President Trump and his own reelection bid this week [when the Senate rejected two articles of impeachment](#) after a trial

that lasted only two weeks.

McConnell's deft handling of both the Senate rules and GOP moderates quickly freed Trump from the cloud of impeachment, despite a steady stream of new evidence and allegations about the extent of the president's involvement in an effort to initiate a politically motivated investigation into former Vice President Joe Biden.

Defense-Wide Review Finds \$5.7 Billion for Higher Priorities

Defense Secretary Dr. Mark T. Esper's [Defense-Wide Review is paying off, with \\$5.7 billion](#) freed up for more important priorities, senior defense officials said.

The officials — who spoke with reporters yesterday — are looking to institutionalize the process to subject the defense agencies that make up "the Fourth Estate" — parts of the Defense Department that are not military services — to the same pressures the services face when crafting their budgets.

<https://media.defense.gov/2020/Feb/06/2002244621/-1/-1/1/FY-2021-DEFENSE-WIDE-REVIEW-FINAL.PDF>

Four New Jersey cruise ship passengers hospitalized for coronavirus screening

About two dozen passengers aboard a Caribbean cruise ship that docked in Bayonne, New Jersey, on Friday morning were screened for [coronavirus and four were sent to a local hospital](#) for further screening, the city's mayor said.

Mayor Jimmy Davis of Bayonne, about 10 miles from New York City, described the hospitalizations as "an abundance of caution" and said officials at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention had indicated there seemed to be little threat.

U.S. Space Force organizational plan delivered to Congress

The NDAA require Space Force updates on a continuous basis until March 2023. WASHINGTON — Air Force Secretary Barbara Barrett on Monday delivered to congressional leaders the first comprehensive proposal for how the [U.S. Space Force will be organized](#) as a

separate military branch under the Department of the Air Force.

The report was mandated by Congress in the 2020 National Defense Authorization Act that President Trump signed on Dec. 20.

U.S. Strikes at Leader of Qaeda in Yemen

The United States has carried out [an airstrike against the leader of Al Qaeda's](#) affiliate in Yemen after months of tracking him by using aerial surveillance and other intelligence, according to three current or former American officials.

Defense leaders must 'brace ourselves' for flat budgets, Esper says

The Pentagon must come to terms with the reality [that future defense budgets are likely to be flat](#), which will force leaders to make some tough choices, Defense Secretary Mark Esper said today. Esper's remarks at an event hosted by Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies come days before the administration is expected to release its fiscal 2021 budget request. The national defense topline, as set by a budget deal in Congress last year, is \$740.5 billion, a \$2.5 billion increase from fiscal 2020.

IMPORTANT

FY2021 Defense Wide Review

Please follow the link for pdf file

<https://media.defense.gov/2020/Feb/06/2002244621/-1/-1/1/FY-2021-DEFENSE-WIDE-REVIEW-FINAL.PDF>

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

1238

The Mongols burn the Russian city of Vladimir

1301

Edward of Caernarion (later Edward II) becomes first (English) Prince of Wales

1842

Battle of Debre Tabor: Ras Ali Alula, Regent of the Emperor of Ethiopia defeats warlord Wube Haile Maryam of Semien

1856

Colonial Tasmanian Parliament passes the 1st piece of legislation (the Electoral Act of 1856) anywhere in the world providing for elections by way of a secret ballot

1991

The IRA launches a mortar attack on 10 Downing Street during a cabinet meeting.

1992

Maastricht Treaty signed by 12 countries from the European Community (EC) to create the European Union (EU)

LOOK AHEAD

Nuclear Regulatory Commission holds the 670th Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, February 5-8.

Schedule:

— 8:30 a.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open/Closed)

8:30 AM EST on 02/08/2020

Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, ACRS Conference Room T2D10, Conference Room T2D10, Rockville, Md.

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Quynh Nguyen

Defense Department; Office of the Secretary holds a meeting of the Defense Health Board.

Agenda includes: Briefing on the Department of Defense Total Force Fitness initiative; Briefings from Foreign Service Medical Liaisons regarding best practices in their countries for mental health and women's health; Briefing on the Military Health System Transformation; and Updates from the Neurological/Behavioral Health Subcommittee on the Examination of Mental Health Accession Screening: Predictive Value of Current Measures and Processes review, the Health Care Delivery Subcommittee on the Active Duty Women's Health Care Services review, and the Public Health Subcommittee on the Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Booster Immunization Practices review

9:00 AM EST on 02/10/2020

Gatehouse, 8111 Gatehouse Road, Rooms 345 and 346, Falls Church, Va.

gregory.h.gorman.mil@mail.mil

703-275-6060

Gregory Gorman; RSVP required by February 5 to Clarice Waters at 703-275-6003.

The Atlantic Council holds a discussion on "Forging the Army's Future," focusing on "reinventing innovation in the Army."

1:00 PM EST on 02/10/2020

Atlantic Council, 1030 15th St. NW, 12th Floor

press@atlanticcouncil.org

202-778-4993

Travis Horne; RSVP required.

Participants:

- Army Gen. John Murray, Commanding general of the U.S. Army Futures Command

House Budget Chairman [John Yarmuth](#), (D-Ky.), holds a pen and pad briefing on President Trump's FY2021 budget proposal.

3:00 PM EST on 02/10/2020

208 Cannon House Office Building

202-226-7200

Alexandra Weinroth; RSVP required by noon February 10 to

Alexandra.Weinroth@mail.house.gov

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration holds a conference call briefing, beginning at 5 p.m., on NASA's FY2021 budget proposal.

5:00 PM EST on 02/10/2020

karen.northon@nasa.gov

Karen Northon; RSVP required for call-in information by 3 p.m. February 10.

Participants:

- NASA Chief Financial Officer Jeff DeWit

Access Intelligence LLC's ExchangeMonitor Publications and Forums holds the 2020 Nuclear Deterrence Summit, February 11-13.

Highlights:

— 10 a.m.: Charles Verdon, deputy administrator for defense programs at the National Nuclear Security Administration, delivers remarks on "The Future - Challenges Today and into the Future"

— 1:15 p.m.: NNSA Administrator Lisa Gordon-Hagerty, Energy undersecretary for nuclear security, delivers keynote remarks on "Updates from National Nuclear Security Administration Leadership" (via video)

— 2:15 p.m.: James McConnell, associate administrator for safety, infrastructure and operations at NNSA, participates in a session on "NNSA Administrator's Governance and Management Framework"

8:00 AM EST on 02/11/2020

The Westin Alexandria Old Town, 400 Courthouse Square, Alexandria, Va.

clientservices@accessintel.com

800-777-5006

RSVP at <https://www.deterrencesummit.com/>

Defense Department; office of the Secretary holds a closed meeting of the Defense Science Board to discuss classified future dimensions of conflict that might be exploited by our near-peer competitors and adversaries in response to the DSB's 2020 Summer Study on New Dimensions of Conflict tasking, February 11-12.

8:00 AM EST on 02/11/2020

Executive Conference Center, 4075 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Va.

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703-571-0081

Kevin Doxey

The Amphibious Warship Industrial Base Coalition holds a [congressional forum](#) featuring Gen. David Berger, Real Adm. Sam Perez (ret.) and Reps. [Mike Gallagher](#) (R-Wis.), [Rob Wittman](#) (R-Va.), [Gil Cisneros](#) (D-Calif.) and [Jack Bergman](#) (R-Mich.).

8:00 AM EST on 02/11/2020

Room 2168, Rayburn House Office Building

The Space Foundation holds a discussion on "The State of Space 2020."

9:00 AM EST on 02/11/2020

National Press Club, 14th and F Streets NW, Ballroom

rcooper@spacefoundation.org

202-596-0714

Rich Cooper

Participants:

- Christian Davenport, Defense and space industries reporter at the Washington Post
- Tom Zelibor, CEO of the Space Foundation
- [Rep. Kendra Horn](#)
- [Rep. Doug Lamborn](#)

The Senate Armed Services Committee holds a hearing on "United States Strategy in Afghanistan."

9:30 AM EST on 02/11/2020

G-50 Dirksen Senate Office Building

[Senate Armed Services Committee](#)

202-224-3871

Witnesses:

- Colin F. Jackson, Professor at the U.S. Naval War College's Strategy And Policy Department and former deputy assistant Defense secretary for Afghanistan, Pakistan and Central Asia
- retired Army Brig. Gen. Kimberly C. Field, Executive director of the Bush School of Government and Public Service's Albritton Center for Grand Strategy and former senior adviser to the commander of Operation Resolute Support

The House Armed Services Committee holds a hearing on "The Department of Defense's Role in Long-Term Major State Competition."

10:00 AM EST on 02/11/2020

2118 Rayburn House Office Building

[House Armed Services Committee](#)

202-225-4151

Witnesses:

- Abraham M. Denmark, Director of the Asia Program at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
- Alina Polyakova, President and CEO of the Center for European Policy Analysis

The House Transportation and Infrastructure Aviation Subcommittee holds a hearing on "Looking Forward: The Future of America's Aviation Maintenance and Manufacturing Workforce."

10:00 AM EST on 02/11/2020

2167 Rayburn House Office Building

[House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Aviation Subcommittee](#)

202-225-4472

The House Science, Space and Technology Research and Technology Subcommittee holds a hearing on "More Hires, Fewer Hacks: Developing the U.S. Cybersecurity Workforce."

10:00 AM EST on 02/11/2020

2318 Rayburn House Office Building

[House Science, Space and Technology Committee Research and Technology Subcommittee](#)

202-225-6375

Witnesses:

- Rodney Petersen, Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology's National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education
- Ambareen Siraj, Professor of computer science and director of Tennessee Tech University's Cybersecurity Education Research and Outreach Center
- Sonya Miller, HR director of IBM Security and Enterprise & Technology Security
- Joseph Sawasky, President and CEO of Merit Network, Inc.

Health and Human Services Department; National Institutes of Health holds a meeting of the National Cancer Institute for program reports and presentations and business of the board.

1:30 PM EST on 02/11/2020

National Cancer Institute Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room TE406, Rockville, Md.

grayp@mail.nih.gov

240-276-6340

Paulette Gray

The House Science, Space and Technology Space and Aeronautics Subcommittee holds a hearing on "Space Situational Awareness: Key Issues in an Evolving Landscape."

2:00 PM EST on 02/11/2020

2318 Rayburn House Office Building

[House Science, Space and Technology Committee Space and Aeronautics Subcommittee](#)

202-225-6375

Witnesses:

- Danielle Wood, Director of the Space Enabled Research Group and assistant professor of media arts & sciences and aeronautics & astronautics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Joanne Gabrynowicz, Professor emerita of space law at the University of Mississippi Law Center
- Daniel Oltrogge, Co-director of the Space Safety Coalition, AIAA Space Traffic Management Space Governance Task Force chairman and Official International Standards Organization representative to the United Nations Committee for the Peaceful Use of Outer Space
- Brian Weeden, Director of program planning for the Secure World Foundation

The House Armed Services Military Personnel Subcommittee holds a hearing on "Alarming Incidents of White Supremacy in the Military - How to Stop It?"

2:30 PM EST on 02/11/2020

2212 Rayburn House Office Building

[House Armed Services Committee Military Personnel Subcommittee](#)

202-225-4151

Witnesses:

- Christopher J. McMahon, Executive assistant director of the National Security Directorate, Naval Criminal Investigative Service
- Heidi Beirich, Co-founder and chief strategy officer for the Global Project Against Hate and Extremism
- Garry Reid, Director for defense intelligence (counterintelligence, law enforcement & security) in the Office of the Defense undersecretary for intelligence
- Robert S. Grabosky, Deputy director of law enforcement for the U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations

- Lecia Brooks, Chief workplace transformation officer at the Southern Poverty Law Center
- Stephanie Miller, Director of accessions policy in the Office of the Defense undersecretary for personnel and readiness
- Mark Pitcavage, Senior research fellow in the Anti-Defamation League's Center on Extremism
- Joe E. Ethridge Jr., Chief of the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command's Criminal Intelligence Division

The Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management Subcommittee holds a hearing on "The Afghanistan Papers: Costs and Benefits of America's Longest War."

2:30 PM EST on 02/11/2020

342 Dirksen Senate Office Building

[Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management Subcommittee](#)

202-224-4751

Witnesses:

- Richard A. Boucher, Former U.S. ambassador to Cyprus and senior fellow in Brown University's Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs
- John F. Sopko, Special inspector general for Afghanistan reconstruction
- retired Army Lt. Col. Daniel L. Davis, Senior fellow and military expert for Defense Priorities
- Douglas Lute, Former U.S. permanent representative to NATO and senior fellow in the Project on Europe and the Transatlantic Relationship in the Harvard Kennedy School's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs

The Atlantic Council holds a discussion on "The View from the West Wing," focusing on

the role of the National Security Council.

6:00 PM EST on 02/11/2020

Atlantic Council, 1030 15th St. NW, 12th Floor

press@atlanticcouncil.org

202-778-4993

Travis Horne; RSVP required.

Participants:

- Robert O'Brien, Assistant to the president for national security affairs on the National Security Council
- Frederick Kempe, President and CEO of the Atlantic Council

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The Air Force Association's Mitchell Institute for Aerospace Studies holds a discussion on "An Operational Assessment of the U.S. Air Force."

9:30 AM EST on 02/12/2020

Air Force Association, 1501 Lee Highway, Boardroom, Arlington, Va.

nkirsch@afa.org

703-247-5800

Nikki Kirsch, ext. 4824; Register at

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=y4xqtakab&oeidk=a07egwaiy7a85090e4d>

Participants:

- Lt. Gen. Mark Kelly, Air Force deputy chief of staff for operations

The Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee holds a hearing on "Roundtable - Are We Prepared? Protecting the U.S. from Global Pandemics."

9:30 AM EST on 02/12/2020

G-50 Dirksen Senate Office Building

[Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee](#)

202-224-4751

The House Budget Committee holds a hearing on "The President's FY2021 Budget."

10:00 AM EST on 02/12/2020

210 Cannon House Office Building

[House Budget Committee](#)

202-226-7200

Witnesses:

- Acting Office of Management and Budget Director Russell Vought

Strategic Technologies and Advanced Research Subcommittee hearing on "Emerging Technologies and National Security: Posturing the U.S. Intelligence Community for Success."

10:00 AM EST on 02/12/2020

2020 Rayburn House Office Building

202-225-7690

<http://intelligence.house.gov>

The Global SOF Imperatives Forum convenes senior U.S. government and military leaders, national security policy professionals, leading academics, and industry executives for a discussion about unconventional threats facing SOF and how the U.S. military and government should respond.

12:00 AM EST on 02/12/2020

U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, First St NE

chamashin@gssof.org

Chelsea Hamashin

Participants:

- Sen. Joni Ernst, Sen. Gary Peters, Rep. Mike Waltz, Rep. Jason Crow, Rep. Scott Peters, Rep. Adam Smith, and Catherine Herridge

Access Intelligence LLC's ExchangeMonitor Publications and Forums holds the 2020 Nuclear Deterrence Summit, February 11-13.

Highlights:

— 9 a.m.: Deputy Defense Undersecretary for Acquisition and Sustainment Alan Shaffer participates in a morning plenary session

— 11:30 a.m.: Deputy Energy Undersecretary for Artificial Intelligence Dimitri Kusnezov participates in a discussion on "Artificial Intelligence - The Science of Tomorrow is Happening Today"

9:00 AM EST on 02/13/2020

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RSVP at <https://www.deterrencesummit.com/>

The House Foreign Affairs Western Hemisphere, Civilian Security and Trade Subcommittee holds a hearing on "Assessing U.S. Security Assistance to Mexico."

9:00 AM EST on 02/13/2020

2172 Rayburn House Office Building

House Foreign Affairs Committee Western Hemisphere, Civilian Security and Trade Subcommittee

202-225-5021

Witnesses:

- Richard Glenn, Deputy assistant secretary of State for international narcotics and law enforcement affairs
- Hugo Rodriguez, Deputy assistant secretary of State for Western Hemisphere affairs
- Barbara Feinstein, Deputy assistant administrator for the U.S. Agency for International Development's Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean

Tech company BSA | The Software Alliance hosts a discussion with members of Congress on the Cyberspace Solarium Commission.

9:00 AM EST on 02/13/2020

101 Constitution Avenue NW

events@bsa.org

(202)-530-5148

The Senate Finance Committee holds a hearing on "The President's FY2021 Budget - HHS."

9:30 AM EST on 02/13/2020

215 Dirksen Senate Office Building

[Senate Finance Committee](#)

202-224-4515

Witnesses:

- HHS Secretary Alex Azar

The Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association holds its February luncheon discussion on "Army."

11:40 AM EST on 02/13/2020

Army Navy Country Club, 1700 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, Va.

703-631-6179

RSVP at <https://dcevents.afceachapters.org/february2020>

Participants:

- Paul Puckett III, Director of the Army's Enterprise Cloud Management Office
- Army Col. Elizabeth "Liz" Casley, Chief of staff at the Army Futures Command's Network Cross Functional Team
- Anthony Robbins, President of AFCEA Washington, D.C. and vice president for the North America public sector at NVIDIA

The University of Maryland's Center for International and Security Studies at Maryland holds a forum on "Innovation and Its Discontents: National Models of Military Innovation and the Dual-Use Conundrum."

12:00 PM EST on 02/13/2020

UMD, 1203 Van Munching Hall, College Park, Md.

jsiegel@umd.edu

301-405-4020

Jonas Siegel, <https://cisism.umd.edu/events/cisism-global-forum-innovation-and-its-discontents-national-models-military-innovation-and>

Participants:

- Amy Nelson, Research fellow at the National Defense University's Center for the Study of Weapons of Mass Destruction

Defense Department; Office of the Secretary holds a meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces.

Agenda includes: Receive testimony from former military judges about their views on the current military justice system and military sexual assault cases, including their perspectives on the conviction and acquittal rates for sexual assault; Conduct final deliberations on its draft Fourth Annual Report; Receive updates from the DAC-IPAD's Case Review, Policy, and Data Working Groups regarding each group's ongoing projects; Provide updates to the Committee on the military installation site visit plan for members in 2020; Provide updates on sexual assault court-martial attendance by Committee members; and New tasks for the DAC-IPAD contained in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020

9:00 AM EST on 02/14/2020

Westin Arlington Gateway Hotel, 801 N Glebe Road, Arlington, Va.

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703-695-1055

Dwight Sullivan

The National Press Club holds a Newsmaker Luncheon address with Secretary of the Army Ryan McCarthy.

12:30 PM EST on 02/14/2020

National Press Club, 14th and F Streets NW, Holeman Lounge

lunderwood@press.org

202-662-7561

Lindsay Underwood; RSVP at <https://www.press.org/events/headliners/npc-headliners-luncheon-us-army-secretary-ryan-mccarthy>

Have a great weekend!

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