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TOP STORIES

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[Memorandum from the President's Physician](#)

U.S. Space Force to establish new acquisitions command in 2021

WASHINGTON — [The U.S Space Force plans to stand up a new command to oversee all of the service's acquisitions in 2021](#), although that timeline is dependent on identifying the space-related parts of the other military branches that will be transferred into the nation's newest service.

The Space Force announced in June that it will be made up of three field commands — Space Operations Command; Space Training and Readiness Command; and Space Systems Command — with the latter charged with developing, acquiring and sustaining systems for the Space Force. Space Systems Command will oversee both the Space and Missile Systems Center, which currently procures most of the service's space-related platforms, and the Space Rapid Capabilities Office.

General Dynamics gets \$1.2 billion to build short-range air defense systems for U.S. Army

WASHINGTON — [General Dynamics Land Systems has secured a \\$1.2 billion contract](#) at the close of the fiscal year to build and deliver the U.S. Army's Interim Maneuver Short-Range Air Defense system, or IM-SHORAD.

The Stryker combat vehicle-based system includes a mission equipment package designed by Leonardo DRS. That mission equipment package includes Raytheon's Stinger vehicle missile launcher.

The estimated completion date of the contract is Sept. 30, 2025, according to a Defense Department contract announcement.

Work locations and funding will be determined with each order.

GDLS officials told *Defense News* on Oct. 1 that the initial order for the contract, worth \$230 million, is for 28 vehicles, and that the company has begun ordering material and laying out production for those vehicles.

Romney, Murphy 'extremely concerned' about threats to withdraw from U.S. Embassy in Baghdad

A bipartisan pair of senators is expressing concern about the Trump administration's [reported threats to withdraw from the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad](#) if Iraq cannot stop militia attacks against U.S. personnel.

In a statement Wednesday, Sens. Mitt Romney (R-Utah) and Chris Murphy (D-Conn.), respectively the chairman and ranking member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee's Middle East subcommittee, urged the administration to provide senators with a briefing "as soon as possible" on the issue.

"We stand with the State Department in its efforts to protect American personnel at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad. However, we are extremely concerned that the implications of fully withdrawing our already limited diplomatic teams from the Baghdad Embassy could serve to undermine U.S.-Iraqi relations to the benefit of malign Iranian influence, cause our allies to also withdraw their diplomats from Baghdad and undercut missions to train Iraqi security forces," Romney and Murphy said in their statement.

Boeing to move 787 production to South Carolina in 2021

SEATTLE (Reuters) - Boeing Co said on Thursday it will move the rest of its [787 Dreamliner production to South Carolina](#) in 2021, a cost-cutting strategy that raises

questions over the future its giant Everett plant north of Seattle.

Reuters first reported on Sept. 21 that Boeing was near a decision to move Dreamliner production to South Carolina as its strategy of supporting two plants has been severely tested by the coronavirus slump in international travel, on top of a cyclical downturn in demand for big jets.

'There will be a fight' on defense spending if Democrats win, Smith predicts

[House Armed Services Committee Chair Adam Smith predicted Thursday that Democratic factions](#) will clash over the size of the defense budget if they sweep upcoming presidential and congressional elections.

Smith was asked how Democrats would approach defense issues differently if former Vice President Joe Biden prevails in November and the party holds one or both chambers of Congress. He said progressive lawmakers will likely make a renewed push for steep cuts in defense spending, but doubted most Democrats would be convinced.

"There will be a fight, no question. There will be those Democrats who want to substantially cut the defense budget," said Smith, who was speaking at an online summit hosted by the Association of Defense Communities. "I don't believe it is the majority of my party and I know it is not the position of the Biden-Harris ticket."

Background: National defense spending has grown to nearly three quarters of a trillion dollars during President Trump's administration with the help of Republican majorities in Congress.

Smith himself has been skeptical of those large hikes in defense spending. But as Armed Services chair, he's walked a fine line between centrists and progressives in his caucus on defense policy and spending in crafting the annual defense authorization bill.

"I'm going to be perfectly honest here: there are a lot of forces within my party that want to see significant cuts in the defense budget," Smith said. "The number that is usually trotted out is 20 percent. We had an amendment to cut it by 10 [percent] this year on the floor that was soundly defeated."

"I do disagree that we can cut the budget by that much," he added. "What we have to do, Republican and Democrat alike, is make sure that money's spent wisely."

What the left wants: In a unified Democratic government, lawmakers on the left would undoubtedly look to reduce defense spending and reallocate that money to other priorities. Progressives have fought this year to reduce defense spending, arguing those billions are better spent on domestic priorities and combating the coronavirus pandemic.

Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) pushed for an amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act S. 4049 (116) that would have cut 10 percent from the \$741 billion bill and redirected it to domestic programs. Though it earned the support of Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.), the measure ultimately failed in a wide vote.

In the House, Congressional Progressive Caucus co-chair Mark Pocan (D-Wis.) offered a similar amendment to the NDAA H.R. 6395 (116) that was rejected in a similarly wide vote.

Biden, meanwhile, has put a lid on suggestions that he would shred the defense budget. The former vice president said in a September interview with *Stars and Stripes* that he doesn't foresee major cuts and that certain parts of the defense budget could increase as the Pentagon invests in new technology.

Inside the Oval Office

1 ARRIVAL

[Amy B. Coyle](#) has a new position as [Deputy General Counsel](#) at Council on Environmental Quality [CEQ], Executive Office of the President [EOP]
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[Camille Q. Solberg](#) has left the position of [Assistant to the White House Faith and Opportunity Initiative](#) at White House Faith and Opportunity Initiative, Office of Public Liaison [OPL], Executive Office of the President [EOP]

Federal Personnel

9 ARRIVALS

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Note: On September 28, 2020, President Trump announced his intention to nominate Brian S. Davis as Assistant Secretary.
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[Jocelyn Samuels](#) has a new position as [Commissioner \(Incoming\)](#) at The Commission, United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission [EEOC]
Note: On September 23, 2020, the Senate confirmed Jocelyn Samuels to be Commissioner of the EEOC. We are currently researching Ms. Samuels swear-in date.

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1 DEPARTURE

[Ambassador M. Lee "Lee" McClenny](#) has left the position of [Ambassador](#) at Office of the U.S. Ambassador to Paraguay, U.S. Embassy in Paraguay, United States Department of State [DOS]

Key Congressional Staffers

1 ARRIVAL

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Corporate Movers & Shakers

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THIS DAY IN HISTORY

[1187](#) Sultan [Saladin](#) captures Jerusalem from Crusaders

[1492](#) King Henry VII of England invades France

[1789](#) [George Washington](#) transmits the proposed Constitutional amendments (The United States [Bill of Rights](#)) to the States for ratification

[1928](#) "Prelature of the Holy Cross and the Work of God," known as Opus Dei, founded by Saint Josemaría Escrivá

[1944](#) Polish resistance fighters capitulate in the Warsaw Uprising, with some 250,000 people killed

[2007](#) President Roh Moo-hyun of South Korea walks across the Military Demarcation Line into North Korea on his way to the second Inter-Korean Summit with North Korean leader [Kim Jong-il](#)



LOOK AHEAD

The National Defense Industrial Association Special Operations/Low-Intensity Conflict Division holds its virtual 31th annual symposium, beginning at 10 a.m., with the theme "Special Operations Forces and Great Power Competition."

Highlights:

- 10:05 a.m. Acting Assistant Defense Secretary for Special Operations/Low Intensity Conflict Ezra Cohen delivers keynote remarks
- 10:35 a.m.: Assistant Secretary of Defense for Acquisition Kevin Fahey; Jim Smith, acquisition executive at the U.S. Special Operations Command's Acquisition, Technology and Logistics Center; and former Principal Deputy Defense Undersecretary for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics Alan Estevez, national security and logistics executive at Deloitte, participate in a fireside chat on "Acquisition Agility Tools"
- 12:20 p.m.: Rep. [Michael Waltz](#), (R-Fla.) (prerecorded); Air Force Command Sgt. Gregory Smith, senior enlisted leader at the U.S. Special Operations Command; and former Army Special Operations Commander Lt. Gen. Kenneth Tovo participate in a fireside chat on "Operational Diversity"
- 1:15 p.m.: Retired Army Lt. Gen. Paul Ostrowski, director of supply, production and distribution at Operation Warp Speed, delivers remarks on "Exclusive Update with Operation Warp Speed"
- 1:35 p.m.: Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition James "Hondo" Geurts; and Ramon "CZ" Colon-Lopez, senior enlisted adviser to Joint Chiefs Chairman Milley, participate in an awards presentation
- 3:05 p.m.: Katie Arrington, chief information security officer to the assistant secretary of Defense for acquisition; former National Security Agency Deputy Director Chris Inglis;

and former Principal Deputy Defense Undersecretary Estevez, participate in a discussion on "Securing SOF's Supply Chain Against Near Peer Adversaries"

– 5:25 p.m.: Deputy Assistant Defense Secretary for Special Operations and Combating Terrorism Joseph Francescon delivers closing keynote remarks (prerecorded)

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Evamarie Socha; RSVP required. Information on the webcast is available

at <https://www.ndia.org/events/2020/10/2/2020-virtual-solic>

The Clare Boothe Luce Center for Conservative Women holds a virtual discussion, beginning at 12 p.m., with former Deputy National Security Advisor Kathleen Troia "K.T." McFarland, author "Revolution: Trump, Washington and We The People."

12:00 PM EDT on 10/02/2020

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Webinar information is available

at https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_xk6jeDSgRHC-vnH8jiXikA

The Truman Center for National Policy holds its annual conference, beginning at 12 p.m., on foreign policy and national security issues.

Highlights:

– Noon: Retired Army Lt. Col. Alexander Vindman, former director for European affairs at the National Security Council; and former Defense Undersecretary for Policy Michele Flournoy, co-founder and managing partner of WestExec Advisers, participate in the presentation of the Inaugural Award For Exceptional Moral Courage In Public Service

– 12:45 p.m.: Session on "Disinformation And Malign Actors: The Lead-Up To The 2020 Election"

– 2:20 p.m.: Session on "Political Will And Climate: How Leaders And Communities Engage On Climate On The Local, State, And National Level"

– 3:15 p.m.: Sen. [Chris Murphy](#), (D-Conn.), delivers remarks on "the future of progressive foreign policy and what tools the next democratic administration will need to further U.S. values and interests abroad"

12:00 PM EDT on 10/02/2020

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Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/trucon2020-public-tickets-121546106677>

Homeland Security Department holds a meeting by teleconference of the President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee.

Agenda includes: Discuss committee activities and the Administration's NS/EP priorities with CISA leadership and other senior Government officials; and deliberation and vote on

the NSTAC Letter to the President on Communications Resiliency

1:30 PM EDT on 10/06/2020

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Stevenson University presents its 2020-2021 season of the "Baltimore Speaker Series," beginning at 8 p.m., with former National Security Advisor John Bolton.

12:00 AM EDT on 10/06/2020

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<https://baltimorespeakers.org/>; Postponed to a date TBA.

The Intelligence National Security Alliance holds a webinar, beginning at 4:30 p.m., with FBI Cyber Division Assistant Director Matt Gorham.

4:30 PM EDT on 10/07/2020

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Webinar information is available at <https://www.insaonline.org/event/wednesday-wisdom-with-matt-gorham/>

National Security Commission On Artificial Intelligence holds a meeting by teleconference.

Agenda includes: Opening remarks by Designated Federal Officer Angela Ponmakha; Executive Director Yll Bajraktari; Commission Chair Eric Schmidt; and Commission Vice Chair Robert Work; Chairs of the working groups studying each of the Commission's lines of effort (LOEs) will present the recommendations from their respective LOEs for consideration by the entire Commission, including LOE 1-Invest in AI Research & Development and Software; LOE 2-Apply AI to National Security Missions; LOE 3-Train and Recruit AI Talent; LOE 4-Protect and Build Upon U.S. Technological Advantages & Hardware; LOE 5-Marshal Global AI Cooperation; LOE 6-Ethics and Responsible AI; and LOE 7-Threat Analysis and Response Actions; and Deliberate on the presented recommendations and vote on their inclusion in the Commission's interim report to Congress and the Administration

1:00 PM EDT on 10/08/2020

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Have a great weekend!

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