

National Security Working Group
Weekly National Security Working Group Update
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The National Security Working Group (NSWG) is comprised of Trent Franks, 2nd, AZ; Connie Mack, 14th, FL; Duncan Hunter, 52nd, CA and Allen West, 22nd, FL. We look forward to providing RSC members updates on national security issues and matters using this forum. We welcome your inputs.

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The Need for a National Security Roadmap (Rep West)

In 2009, Congressman Paul Ryan introduced to the American people *A Roadmap for America's Future*, a comprehensive, alternative approach to the Nation's most pressing domestic priorities. At this time in our history when government growth is outpacing private sector growth and America is seen as growing weaker by the day, it is crucial that policymakers have a long term threat analysis when laying out our defense posture. It is in the spirit of peace through strength that we produce a National Security Roadmap.

The National Security Roadmap will feature an analysis of threats that our country and allies face currently, and are likely to face over at least the next 10 – 20 years. Although the White House has been hesitant to do so, the Roadmap will clearly and unequivocally define our enemy. Furthermore, the Roadmap will provide a comparison between the threats we face, and the military force structures – weapon systems, personnel and all the other aspects needed to defeat our adversaries – to yield a CBO-scorable roadmap which is as realistic and reliable as can be devised without reference to classified information. The study will be done in conjunction with outside experts and be steered by a small committee of Members. We plan to have the study accomplished and ready for publication before the end of 2011.

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A Guide: about Ballistic Missile Defense (RSC - NSWG)

<http://ifpa.org/pdf/FAQ-bmd.pdf> - This Guide is based on information contained in the 2009 Independent Working Group Report entitled *Missile Defense, the Space Relationship, and the Twenty-First Century* which can be downloaded at www.ifpa.org. The purpose of the Guide is to address the most often asked questions and to provide information about missile defense.

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Fairness for Military Recruiters Act (Rep Hunter)

Last week Mr. Hunter introduced H.R. 637, the Fairness for Military Recruiters Act. This legislation reaffirms and strengthens existing federal law. In 2002 the No Child Left Behind Act provided military recruiters the same access to high school campuses and basic student contact information provided to institutions of higher learning. Yet nine years later there are still school administrators that liberally interpret this provision and activist groups that find creative ways to restrict military recruiters. This act will ensure that military recruiters continue to have access to student information, similar to colleges, universities and other organizations recruiting students; place decisions regarding a student's personal information and future career opportunities firmly in control of his or her parents, unless a student is 18 years of age; make clear that no process other than that of a written parental request shall be used to authorize the withholding of basic student contact information; and prevent the implementation of an "opt-in" process, whereby all student information would be withheld from military recruiters.

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Iran (Rep Franks)

Once again Mahmoud Ahmadinejad is brutally cracking down on Iranian citizens who are calling for Democracy. Thousands of Iranian police and security guards beat protestors with baton charges and used tear gas to break up rallies this week. Opposition leaders have been put under house arrest. The brutal nature of the Iranian security forces in repressing the Iranian citizen's calls for a democratic state is another clear indication Iran's leadership does not value human rights. Iran continues to build up its nuclear program and missile arsenal and be a cause for instability in the Middle East. The United States must not balk in taking any required action to ensure Iran never acquires or develops nuclear weapons. Furthermore, Iran must know the United States stands alongside Israel in ensuring a free and secure Israel.

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Electric Infrastructure Council (EIS) Summit - 11 April 2011 - Washington DC (Rep Franks)

The EIS Council provides educational programming and hosts international initiatives to coordinate infrastructure protection against electromagnetic threats, in partnership with government representatives and non-governmental organizations.

The first Electric Infrastructure Security (EIS) Summit took place in London on September 20, 2010, in the U.K. Parliament, Westminster Hall. As the first world summit on infrastructure security, EISS London founded a new international security framework designed to foster information sharing, discussion, coordination and cooperation in assessing and protecting national infrastructures against physical threats such as EMP and Severe Geomagnetic Storms.

The second EIS Summit will take place in the Capitol Building, Washington D.C. on April 11, 2011. To apply for registration for EISS Washington D.C., please email info@eissummit.com

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