Top U.S. Air Force, CIA and White House Officials Headline Defense One Summit Speaker Lineup

The 2017 Defense One Summit features Air Force Vice Chief of Staff, General Stephen W. Wilson; White House cybersecurity czar, Rob Joyce; CIA's chief technology officer, Matthijs Broer; Iran nuclear deal negotiator, U.S. Ambassador Wendy Sherman; and more leaders across the spectrum of national security.

Washington, D.C. (October 30, 2017) — Defense One, Government Executive Media Group's digital news and events hub covering national security, announced today the initial speaker lineup and themes for the 2017 Defense One Summit taking place Thursday, November 9 at the Marriott Marquis in Washington D.C. This year’s Summit will focus on the new administration and how the national security community is adapting to a new era of geopolitics and grand strategy.

"In the last few years, global security leaders have gone from expecting a peaceful post-Iraq war 'reset,' to the rise and fall of ISIS and global terrorism reaching the homefront, to now recalibrating for Cold War-style nuclear posturing, information warfare, and geopolitics," said Defense One Executive Editor Kevin Baron. "We're entering another new age in global security, under new leadership, with new ideologies. At this year’s Summit, the first during the Trump administration, we'll discuss the challenges and ideas facing new threats, and the evergreen search for an American grand strategy."

The speakers slated to take the stage this year include:

- General Stephen W. Wilson, Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force
- Ambassador Wendy Sherman, Senior Counselor at Albright Stonebridge Group, Former Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs at the U.S. Department of State
- Brigadier General Gregory S. Bowen, J3 Deputy Director, Global Operations, U.S. Strategic Command
- Major General William Hix, Director of Strategy, Plans & Policy, Deputy Chief of Staff G-3/5/7, Department of the Army
• **Rob Joyce**, Special Assistant to the President, Cybersecurity Coordinator, and Acting Deputy Homeland Security Advisor at the White House

• **Matthijs Broer**, Chief Technology Officer, Directorate of Science & Technology, Central Intelligence Agency

• **Dr. Kathleen Hicks**, Senior Vice President; Henry A. Kissinger Chair; Director International Security Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies

• **Richard Fontaine**, President, Center for a New American Security

Speakers are expected to address the themes below over the course of the day-long event:

• Iran, North Korea, and the New Nuclear Era  
• How the U.S. Army is Changing Its Force for Future Threats  
• The Air Force’s New Approach to Space  
• President Trump’s Cybersecurity Policy  
• American Global Leadership in the New Geopolitics  
• Senior Members of Congress' View from the Hill  
• Changing Maritime Warfare  
• Intelligence and the Technology of Information Warfare  
• Artificial Intelligence

Media interested in attending the Summit should RSVP to Justin Pallenik at jpallenik@atlanticmedia.com. Further information regarding the Summit is available at: defenseonesummit.com

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