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**59th Academy Assembly**

**The Future of American Defense Policy**

17-20 October 2017

US Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs

TUESDAY 17 Oct 2017

1300-1720 **Arrival of Delegates**

1745-1830 **Icebreaker Social (Eisenhower Golf Course)**

1745 **Official Welcome**

* Colonel Cheryl Kearney, Permanent Professor Department of Political Science, Air Force Academy

1830 Buses depart for Fairchild Hall

1900 **Truman Lecture, Opening Keynote (Fairchild Hall)**

* Dr. Hal Brands, Henry A. Kissinger Distinguished Professor of Global Affairs, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies

2000 Truman Lecture Reception (CTEF Bridge)

WEDNESDAY 18 Oct 2017

0800 **Breakfast/Coffee (Main Hall, McDermott Library)**

0830 **Panel 1 Principles and Purposes of Defense Policy: Interests, Justice, and**

**Obligations**

0945 **Roundtable 1 (Breakout Rooms, McDermott Library)**

1130 **Lunch (Mitchell Hall)**

1230 **Panel 2 The International Dimensions of Defense Policy: “Allies and Adversaries” (Regional Groups Meet in Lectinars, Fairchild Hall)**

Each panel will have one outside expert, Olmsted Scholar, and USAFA Scholar

**Regional Panel Locations**

* Europe (L-1)
* Asia (L-3)
* Africa (L-5)
* Mideast (L-2)
* The Americas (L-4)

1430 **Roundtable 2 (Breakout Rooms)**

1600 Personal Time

1745 **Delegate Dinner (Arnold Hall Ballroom)**

1900 **Keynote Address (Arnold Hall Theater)**

* Dr. Heather Wilson, Secretary of the Air Force (invited, option A)

THURSDAY 19 Oct 2017

0800 **Breakfast/Coffee**

0830 **Panel 3 The Evolving Relationship of Defense Policy and Technology**

**(McDermott Library)**

0945 **Roundtable 3 (Breakout Rooms)**

1130 **Buffet Lunch (Arnold Hall Ballroom)**

1200 **Distinguished Luncheon Speaker (Arnold Hall Ballroom)**

* Dr. Michael O’Hanlon, Senior Fellow in Foreign Policy Studies Program, the Brookings Institution.

1330 **Panel 4** **Defense Policy Choices: The Human and Economic Costs of War**

**(McDermott Library)**

1500 (Delegates) **USAFA Mission Element Tours (select one of following)**

* Airfield
* FalconSat and CyberWorx
* RPAs & Aero Lab

1500 (Panelists) **American Defense Policy Book Discussions (Falcon’s Nest)**

1630-1730 **Personal Time**

1745 **Delegate Dinner (Arnold Hall Ballroom)**

1900 **Keynote Address (Arnold Hall Theater)**

* Dr. Heather Wilson, Secretary of the Air Force (invited, option B)

2100-2300 **Possible Roundtable 4 (crisis sim concludes)**

***(****Event shifts if no SECAF address)*

FRIDAY 20 Oct 2017

0800 **Breakfast/Coffee**

0830 **Defense Policy Outcomes: Defining Victory and Securing Peace**

* Dr. Henry Nau, Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University

1015 **Roundtable 5 (Team Outbriefs)**

1130 **Concluding Roundtable Awards and Remarks**

1145 **Lunch**

1230 **Delegate Departures begin**

**~Assembly Concludes~**