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**NATIONAL BIODEFENSE STRATEGY: IMPLEMENTATION AND IMPLICATIONS**

**Objective**

To provide Panel Members with an understanding of and recommendations regarding: implementation of the National Biodefense Strategy and its implications for the Office of Management and Budget, congressional authorization and appropriation, leadership, coordination, collaboration, and innovation.

**10:30-10:45      Opening remarks**

**10:45-11:15      Current White House Perspectives on Biodefense**

*White House senior directors will provide their thoughts and perspective on the biological threat, the priority they place on biodefense, and efforts to address their concerns.*

**The Honorable Tim Ziemer (Rear Admiral, United States Navy – Retired)**

Senior Director for Global Health Security and Biothreats, National Security Council. Former Coordinator, Malaria Initiative, President's Malaria Initiative. Former Vice President, Arlington Institute. Former Executive Director, World Relief.

**The Honorable Andrea Hall**

Senior Director for Weapons of Mass Destruction and Counterproliferation, National Security Council. Former National Intelligence Officer for Weapons of Mass Destruction and Proliferation. Former Senior Advisor to the Ambassador to United Nations Organizations.

**11:15-11:45      Congressional Perspectives**

*Sitting Member of Congress will provide thoughts and perspectives on the biological threat, the priority he places on biodefense, and efforts to address his concerns.*

**Representative Jim Langevin (D-RI)**

Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, Committee on Armed Services, U.S. House of Representatives.



**11:45-12:00**      ***Break to gather lunch***

**12:00-12:45**      **Lunch Keynote**

**The Honorable Tevi D. Troy**

President, American Health Policy Institute. Author of What Jefferson Read, Ike Watched, and Obama Tweeted: 200 Years of Popular Culture in the White House, Intellectuals and the American Presidency, and Shall We Wake the President? Two Centuries of Disaster Management from the Oval Office. Former Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services. Former Deputy Assistant and Acting Assistant to President George W. Bush for Domestic Policy. Former Policy Director for Senator John Ashcroft. Former Senior Domestic Policy Adviser and Domestic Policy Director for the Policy Committee, U.S. House of Representatives.

**12:45-1:45**      **Panel: Implementation of the National Biodefense Strategy**

*Former federal officials and current thought leaders will provide their perspectives regarding and recommendations for what the Administration should include in the Implementation Plan for the National Biodefense Strategy, and how the Administration should go about implementing the Strategy.*

**The Honorable Rajeev Venkayya**

President, Global Vaccine Unit, Takeda Pharmaceuticals. Former Special Assistant to President George W. Bush and Senior Director for Biodefense.

**The Honorable Curt J. Mann**

Chief Executive, Empryse Group. Former Deputy Under Secretary for Food Safety, Department of Agriculture. Former Director of Food, Agriculture, and Water Security, Homeland Security Council.

**The Honorable Jeffrey W. Runge**

Chief Medical Officer, Biospatial, Inc. Senior Adviser, The Chertoff Group. Former Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs, Department of Homeland Security. Former Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation.

**1:45-2:00**      **Closing Comments, Adjourn**

***Lunch will be served.***