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BUDGET REFORM FOR BIODEFENSE: LEADERSHIP AND COORDINATION

Objective

To provide Panel Members with an understanding of and recommendations regarding leadership, interagency coordination, and risk challenges to biodefense budgeting

10:00-10:30 Congressional Perspective

Sitting congressional appropriator will discuss ways to foster a unified approach to authorization, appropriations, and budgeting.

Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK, 4th District)

Chair, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, House Committee on Appropriations; Member, House Budget Committee

10:30-11:10 Panel One: The Need to Improve Interagency Budgetary Coordination

Former federal officials and current thought leaders will discuss major challenges to addressing the biological threat due to the current federal approach to budgeting.

Ron Klain, JD

White House Ebola Response Coordinator (October 2014-February 2015), former Chief of Staff for Vice President Joe Biden and Vice President Al Gore; Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Revolution LLC; External Advisor, Skoll Global Threats Fund; Adjunct Professor, Georgetown University

The Honorable Andrew Weber, MSFS

Former Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Defense Programs; Former Deputy Coordinator for Ebola Response, US Department of State; Senior Fellow, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard Kennedy School of Government

Alice C. Hill, JD

Former Special Assistant to President Obama, Senior Director for Resilience Policy, and Senior Advisor for Preparedness and Resilience; Senior Counselor to Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano; former Supervising Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court and Los Angeles Municipal Court; Research Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University



11:10-11:15 Break

11:15-11:55 Panel Two: The Need to Overcome Persistent Budgetary Limitations

Academic and private sector experts will discuss persistent budgeting challenges, including inadequately sustained funding for public health preparedness and response, insufficient consideration of drivers of private sector activity, and the need to better utilize risk modeling approaches.

Jeff Schlegelmilch, MPH, MBA

Deputy Director, National Center for Disaster Preparedness, Earth Institute, Columbia University

Linda Rouse O'Neill, MLA

Vice President Government Affairs, Health Industry Distributors Association

Dan Kaniewski, PhD, MA

Vice President for Global Resilience, AIR Worldwide; former Special Assistant to President George W. Bush for Homeland Security and Senior Director for Response Policy

11:55-12:00 Break

12:00-12:30 Keynote

Mr. Max Brooks

Nonresident Fellow, Modern War Institute at West Point; Senior Resident Fellow, Art of Future Warfare Project, Brent Scowcroft Center on International Security, Atlantic Council; author of *World War Z* and *The Harlem Hellfighters*

12:30-12:35 Conclude

Light breakfast refreshments will be served.