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CONGRESS APPOINTS MEMBERS TO COMMISSION TO ASSESS UNITED STATES NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE MANAGEMENT AND ORGANIZATION

The Chairmen and Ranking Members of the Armed Services Committees in the Senate and House of Representatives today announced the appointment of 11 members of the congressionally mandated Commission to Assess United States National Security Space Management and Organization. The commission, authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106-65), will conduct a six-month review to examine space operations and determine how our military should organize to maximize the effectiveness of our space-based military and intelligence assets. Former Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld will chair the commission.

“Space is becoming increasingly critical to the conduct of military operations,” said House Armed Services Committee Chairman Floyd Spence. “This commission will play an important role in ensuring that our forces are properly structured to gain maximum benefit from military and intelligence space operations.”

“The national security interests of the United States are undeniably linked to our ability to protect and utilize military and intelligence assets in space,” declared Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman John Warner. “This commission will have a critical role in determining how the Defense Department should organize its resources to ensure this nation’s ability to operate in space whether it has to do with missile defense, reconnaissance, communications or other nations security space missions.”

The commission is composed of 13 members: four members appointed by the chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee; four members appointed by the chairman of the House Armed Services Committee; three members appointed jointly by the ranking minority members of the Senate and House Armed Services Committees; and two members are appointed by the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of Central Intelligence.

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The Senate and House appointed members include:

- Honorable Donald Rumsfeld, Chairman of the commission and former Secretary of Defense.
- Honorable Duane P. Andrews, Corporate Executive Vice President and Director, SAIC and former Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence (C3I).
- Mr. Robert V. Davis, President, R. V. Davis & Associates and former Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Space.
- General Howell T. Estes, III, USAF (Ret.), former Commander in Chief, North American Aerospace Defense Command and Commander in Chief, U.S. Space Command.
- General Ronald R. Fogleman, USAF (Ret.), former Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force
- Lieutenant General Jay M. Garner, USA (Ret.), President of SY Technology, Inc., and former Assistant Vice Chief of Staff of the Army.
- Dr. William R. Graham, former science adviser in the Reagan and Bush administrations.
- General Charles A. Horner, USAF, (Ret.), former Commander in Chief, U.S. Space Command.
- General Thomas S. Moorman, Jr. USAF (Ret.), former Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force.
- Mr. Douglas Necessary, former professional staff member, Committee on Armed Services, U.S. House of Representatives.
- Honorable Malcom Wallop, former U.S. Senator from Wyoming.

The Secretary of Defense appointees include Admiral David E. Jeremiah, USN (Ret.) and General Glenn K. Otis, USA (Ret.)

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