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05/31/16

The Honorable Mac Thornberry
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
U.S. House of Representatives
Room 2216 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman,

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Sincerely,

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CHARTER
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC COMMAND STRATEGIC ADVISORY GROUP

1. Committee's Official Designation: The Committee shall be known as the United States Strategic Command Strategic Advisory Group ("the Group").

2. Authority: The Secretary of Defense, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and 41 C.F.R. § 102-3.50(d), established this discretionary Group.

3. Objectives and Scope of Activities: The Group shall provide independent advice and recommendations related to the United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM) and its operations, as set out in paragraph four below.

4. Description of Duties: The Group shall provide the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Commander of the United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM), with independent advice and recommendations on:

   a. Scientific, technical, intelligence, and policy-related matters of interest to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the USSTRATCOM concerning the development and implementation of the Nation's strategic war plans;
   b. Enhancements in USSTRATCOM's mission area responsibilities; and
   c. Other matters related to the Nation's strategic forces, as requested by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff or the Commander, USSTRATCOM.

5. Agency or Official to Whom the Committee Reports: The Group shall report to the Secretary of Defense and Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Commander, U.S. Strategic Command. The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, or designee, pursuant to Department of Defense (DoD) policy, may act upon the Group's advice and recommendations.

6. Support: The DoD, through the U.S. Strategic Command, shall support the Group and shall ensure compliance with the requirements of the FACA, the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 ("the Sunshine Act") (5 U.S.C. § 552b, as amended), governing Federal statutes and regulations, and established DoD policies and procedures.

7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs and Staff Years: The estimated annual operating cost, to include travel, meetings, and contract support, is approximately $623,521.00. The estimated annual personnel costs to the DoD are 4.0 full-time equivalents.

8. Designated Federal Officer: The Group's Designated Federal Officer (DFO), pursuant to DoD policy, shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, designated in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures.

   The Group's DFO is required to be in attendance at all Group and subcommittee meetings for the duration of each and every meeting. However, in the absence of the Group's DFO, a properly approved Alternate DFO duly designated to the Group according to DoD policies and procedures, will attend the entire duration of all of the Group or subcommittee meetings.

The DFO, or the Alternate DFO, will call all of the Group and its subcommittee meetings; prepare and approve all meeting agendas; and adjourn any meeting when the DFO, or the Alternate DFO, determines adjournment to be in the public interest or required by governing regulations or DoD policies and procedures.

9. Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings: The Group shall meet at the call of the Group's DFO, in consultation with the Chair. The estimated number of Group meetings is two per year.

10. Duration: The need for this Group is on a continuing basis; however, it is subject to renewal every two years.

11. Termination: The Group shall terminate upon completion of its mission or two years from the date this charter is filed, whichever is sooner, unless the Secretary of Defense renews its charter.

12. Membership and Designation: The Group shall be composed of no more than 20 members who are eminent authorities in the fields of strategic policy formulation; nuclear weapon design; national command, control, communications, intelligence, and information operations; or other important aspects of the Nation's strategic forces.

    The appointment of Group members will be authorized by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense and administratively certified by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, for a term of service of one-to-four years, subject to annual renewals, in accordance with DoD policies and procedures. Members of the Group who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal officers or employees will be appointed as experts or consultants pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 3109 to serve as special government employee (SGE) members. Group members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal officers or employees will serve as regular government employee (RGE) members. No member, unless authorized by the Secretary of Defense or Deputy Secretary of Defense, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service on the Group, to include its subcommittees, or serve on more than two DoD federal advisory committees at one time.

    The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff has the delegated authority to appoint the Group's Chair from among the membership previously authorized by the Secretary of Defense or Deputy Secretary of Defense.

    Each member is appointed to provide advice to the Government on the basis of his or her best judgment without representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest.

    Except for reimbursement of official Group-related travel and per diem, Group members serve without compensation.

13. Subcommittees: The DoD, as necessary and consistent with the Group's mission and DoD policies and procedures, may establish subcommittees, task forces, or working groups to

support the Group. Establishment of subcommittees will be based upon a written determination to include terms of reference, by the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, or the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, as the Group's Sponsor.

Such subcommittees shall not work independently of the Group and shall report all their recommendations and advice solely to the Group for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees, task forces, or working groups have no authority to make decisions and recommendations, verbally or in writing, on behalf of the Group. No subcommittee or any of its members can update or report, verbally or in writing, directly to the DoD or any Federal officers or employees. If a majority of Group members are appointed to a particular subcommittee, then that subcommittee may be required to operate pursuant to the same notice and openness requirements of FACA which govern the Group's operations.

Pursuant to Secretary of Defense policy, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff is authorized to administratively certify the appointment of subcommittee members if the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense has previously authorized the individual's appointment to the Group or another DoD advisory committee. If the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense has not previously authorized the appointment of the individual to the Group or another DoD advisory committee, then the individual's subcommittee appointment must first be authorized by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense and subsequently administratively certified by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Subcommittee members, with the approval of the Secretary of Defense, will be appointed for a term of service of one-to-four years, subject to annual renewals; however, no member shall serve more than two consecutive terms of service on the subcommittee, without prior authorization by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense. Subcommittee members, if not full-time or permanent part-time Federal officers or employees, will be appointed as experts or consultants pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 3109 to serve as SGE members. Subcommittee members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal officers or employees will serve as RGE members. With the exception of reimbursement for travel and per diem as it pertains to official travel related to the Group or its subcommittees, Group subcommittee members shall serve without compensation.

The Secretary of Defense authorizes the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to appoint the leadership of any appropriately approved subcommittees from among the subcommittee membership previously authorized by the Secretary of Defense or Deputy Secretary of Defense.

The Group has one permanent subcommittee, the Stockpile Assessment Team ("the Team"). Total membership of the Team will not exceed 15 members who are eminent authorities in the fields of strategic policy formulation; nuclear weapon design; national command, control, communications, intelligence, and information operations; or other important aspects of the Nation's strategic forces.

All subcommittees operate under the provisions of the FACA, the Sunshine Act, governing Federal statutes and regulations, and established DoD policies and procedures.

14. Recordkeeping: The records of the Group and its subcommittees shall be managed in accordance with General Record Schedule 6.2, Federal Advisory Committee Records, or other approved agency records disposition schedule, and the appropriate DoD policies and procedures. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1966 (5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended).

15. Filing Date: May 31, 2016