

# 2023 Current Fiscal Year Report: International Security Advisory Board

Report Run Date: 06/07/2023 08:04:59 AM

<b>1. Department or Agency</b>	<b>2. Fiscal Year</b>
Department of State	2023
<b>3. Committee or Subcommittee</b>	<b>3b. GSA Committee No.</b>
International Security Advisory Board	2208

<b>4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>5. Current Charter</b>	<b>6. Expected Renewal Date</b>	<b>7. Expected Term Date</b>
No	06/21/2021	06/21/2023	

<b>8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>8b. Specific Termination Authority</b>	<b>8c. Actual Term Date</b>
No	22 U.S.C. § 2581(f)	

<b>9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year</b>	<b>10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?</b>	<b>10b. Legislation Pending?</b>
Continue	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

<b>11. Establishment Authority</b>	Authorized by Law		
<b>12. Specific Establishment Authority</b>	<b>13. Effective Date</b>	<b>14. Committee Type</b>	<b>14c. Presidential?</b>
22 U.S.C. § 2581(f)	10/21/1998	Continuing	No

**15. Description of Committee** National Policy Issue Advisory Board

**16a. Total Number of Reports** No Reports for this Fiscal Year

**17a. Open** 0 **17b. Closed** 1 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 1

## Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
Plenary Meeting of the Members of the ISAB.	10/18/2022 - 10/18/2022	

**Number of Committee Meetings Listed:** 1

<b>Current</b>	<b>Next</b>
<b>FY</b>	<b>FY</b>

<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00	0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The Board examines issues assigned by the Department of State relating to international security and makes specific recommendations to the Secretary of State and to the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security. The board casts a wide intellectual net, examining a broad range of information, evidence, and concepts relating to scientific, military, diplomatic, political, and public diplomacy aspects of arms control, disarmament, nonproliferation, outer space, critical infrastructure, cybersecurity, the national security aspects of emerging technologies, and international security and related aspects of public diplomacy. The Board reports to the Secretary and the Under Secretary

on its findings and makes relevant and timely recommendations, as appropriate. The Board undertakes studies where the members consult with other parties and agencies to obtain a wide assessment of the issues that relate to international security and arms control. The Board's last study was completed in FY17. During FY18, FY19, FY20, FY21, and FY22, the Board was inactive and did not meet or conduct studies. The current administration began reconstituting the Board in FY22, with its first meeting held in early FY23 (October 2022).

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The membership consists of a diverse set of recognized experts with professional backgrounds in diplomacy, the military, national defense, the intelligence community, academia, technology, and science. All have distinguished records and backgrounds in international security. Thus, the members are able to provide the Secretary and Under Secretary with diverse independent expertise and perspectives. The Department convenes a diverse board of experts with the appropriate background that allows for focused studies of the topics assigned by the Department.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

The Charter instructs Board meetings to be held approximately two or more times per year. Operationally, each meeting is designed to address the studies approved by the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security and focuses the Board's work on its mission. The meetings are key mechanisms to provide advice and insight to the Department on the ongoing studies and other relevant topics.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The Board provides the Department of State with an expert, independent perspective on international security, nonproliferation, cybersecurity, and emerging technologies issues. In the present constrained fiscal environment, the ISAB gives the Department of State, at very low cost, access to expertise and experience not available on a full-time basis. The ISAB provides an outside perspective highly beneficial to the Department and the pursuit of U.S. national security objectives.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

The Board deals with classified national security information. Any unclassified information discussed during Board meetings could not be segregated in a way that would not hamper the Board's deliberations.

**21. Remarks**

Recommendation Remarks The Secretary of State's International Security Advisory Board (ISAB) provides the Department of State with independent insight and advice on all aspects of arms control, disarmament, nonproliferation, outer space, critical infrastructure, cybersecurity, the national security aspects of emerging technologies, and international security and related aspects of public diplomacy.. The ISAB is sponsored and overseen by the Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security. The ISAB is chartered to have up to 25 members. The Board members reflect a balance of backgrounds, points of view, and demographic diversity and include a wide variety of scientific,

technology, military, diplomatic, and political backgrounds. Following the onboarding of new members in FY22, the ISAB held its first meeting with its new membership in early FY23 (October 2022).

## Designated Federal Officer

Michelle Elizabeth Dover Executive Director

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Byman, Daniel	10/04/2022	10/03/2023	Professor, Georgetown University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Dorn, Edwin	07/31/2022	07/30/2023	Professor Emeritus, University of Texas	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Fischer, Julie	08/28/2022	08/27/2023	Technical Director, CRDF Global	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Goldgeier, James	07/01/2022	06/30/2023	Professor, American University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Goodman, Sherri	06/05/2022	06/04/2023	Secretary General, International Military Council on Climate and Security	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Gronvall, Gigi	07/17/2022	07/16/2023	Senior Scholar, Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hall, Gregory	07/17/2022	07/16/2023	Associate Professor, University of Kentucky	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Haynes, Eboni	07/31/2022	07/30/2023	Adjunct Professor, Georgetown University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Horowitz, Michael	08/11/2022	08/10/2023	Director, Emerging Capabilities Policy Office, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular
Hurlburt, Heather	08/25/2022	08/24/2023	Chief of Staff, United States Trade Representative	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Jackson, Shirley	09/25/2022	09/24/2023	President Emerita, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Kennedy, Laura	09/25/2022	09/24/2023	Member, Arm Control Association Board of Directors	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Koch, Susan	06/05/2022	06/04/2023	Independent Consultant	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Levine, Edward	08/28/2022	08/27/2023	Member, Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation Board of Directors	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Lewis, Jeffrey	10/04/2022	10/03/2023	Professor, Middlebury Institute of International Studies	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Morin, Jamie	07/31/2022	07/30/2023	Vice President, The Aerospace Coorporation	Government Employee (SGE) Member
Rosenbach, Eric	10/04/2022	10/03/2023	Co-Director, Harvard Kennedy School's Belfer Center for Science and International Relations	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Simon, Ian	08/11/2022	08/10/2023	Senior Advisor, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Thompson, Lyric	08/14/2022	08/13/2023	Vice President, International Center for Research on Women	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Walker, Paul	10/04/2022	10/03/2023	Vice Chair, Arms Control Association Board of Directors	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Williams, Heather	08/28/2022	08/27/2023	Director, Project on Nuclear Issues, Center for Strategic and International Studies	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Wolfsthal, Jon	10/04/2022	10/03/2023	Senior Advisor, Global Zero	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 22**

**Narrative Description**

The Board, dealing with the scientific, military, diplomatic, political, and public diplomacy arms control, disarmament, nonproliferation, outer space, critical infrastructure, cybersecurity, the national security aspects of emerging technologies, and international security and related aspects of public diplomacy., provides valuable independent insight and advice and thereby meets an important requirement of the Department.

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements
- Other

**Outcome Comments**

ISAB has provided senior policy makers and the Department of State with valuable and unique insight and advice with regards to international security and nonproliferation. The Board is advisory only and does not make policy.

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

- None
- Unable to Determine
- Under \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000
- \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
- \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000
- Over \$10,000,000
- Cost Savings Other

**Cost Savings Comments**

Some Board members and nearly all experts consulted by the Board serve without compensation. The costs of paying for the services of these experts would be significant for the government.

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

214

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

The ISAB was inactive in FY18, FY19, FY20, FY21, and FY22.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

0%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

N/A

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

0%



**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

N/A

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes  No  Not Applicable

**Agency Feedback Comments**

Feedback, when provided, is provided during ISAB Plenary meetings. When permissible, feedback will be made available upon request. Inquiries should be sent to ISAB@state.gov.

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

- Reorganized Priorities
- Reallocated resources
- Issued new regulation
- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

**Action Comments**

The Department implements select ISAB recommendations.

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

NA

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

- Contact DFO
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site
- Publications

Other



**Access Comments**

N/A