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***Task Force 21-Minot  
in Association with  
Geo-Strategic Analysis***

Presents

**The Tenth Annual D.C. Triad Conference**

**The Nuclear Modernization Enterprise:  
Going Forward in a Dangerous World**

Capitol Hill Club, 300 First Street SE, Washington, D.C.

AGENDA

- 7:00-7:20 Check-in/buffet breakfast.
- 7:20 Welcome and Introduction: **Peter R. Huessy**, President, Geo-Strategic Analysis and **Mark Jantzer**, Chairman, Task Force 21-Minot
- 7:25 Keynote -- **General Anthony Cotton**, Commander, Air Force Global Strike Command
- 8:00 **Honorable Frank Miller**, Principal, The Scowcroft Group: *A Guide to Strategic Stability*
- 8:30 **Richard Fisher**, Senior Fellow, International Assessment and Strategy Center and **Bradley Thayer**, University of Texas: *China's Nuclear Push to Great Power Status*
- 9:00 **Mark Schneider**, Senior Analyst, National Institute for Public Policy, and **Stephen Blank**, Senior Fellow at the Foreign Policy Research Institute's Eurasia Program: *Russia's Nuclear Buildup & Nuclear Weapons as Coercive Tools of State*
- 9:45 Networking Break

- 10:00 **Dr. Brad Roberts**, Director, Center for Global Security Research: *Understanding Modern Strategic Conflict*; with discussion led by **Mathew Kroenig** of the Atlantic Council
- 10:30 **Amb. Marshall Billingslea**, Senior Fellow at the Hudson Institute and **Amb. Ronald F. Lehman II**, Former Director, Arms Control and Disarmament Agency: *Beyond START: Arms Racing, Strategic Stability and Arms Control*, with discussion led by **Rebecca Heinrichs** of the Hudson Institute
- 11:05 **Maj. Gen. Michael Lutton**, Commander, Twentieth Air Force; **Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Roger Burg** and **Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Don Alston**: *GBSD and MMIII: Sustaining and Modernizing ICBMs*, with discussion led by **Matt Costlow** of NIPP
- 11:55 **CAPT. Douglas Williams**, Technical Director, Navy Strategic Systems Programs and **Mr. Matthew Sermon**, Executive Director of Program Executive Office, COLUMBIA: *Strategic Weapons System for the Columbia Class Submarine and the D5LE2 Missile*
- 12:35 Buffet Lunch.
- 1:00 **Senator John Hoeven**
- 1:15 **Admiral (Ret.) Richard Mies** and **General (Ret.) Robert Kehler**: *The Commanders Forum: An Update on Strategic Nuclear Modernization Debate*, with discussion led by **Peter Huessy**
- 2:00 **Lt. Gen. James Dawkins, Jr.**, Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration (A10): *GBSD, Minuteman III Life Extension, Bombers, LRSO: An Update*
- 2:30-2:35 Closing remarks by **John MacMartin**, Task Force 21-Minot

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