

REBUILDING THE ARSENAL OF FREEDOM



PEACE THROUGH STRENGTH STARTS IN OUR FACTORIES, OUR DEPOTS, AND OUR SHIPYARDS

- ★ America's national security is dependent on our ability to produce the capabilities needed to defend our country and deter our adversaries.
- ★ For decades, the U.S. defense industrial base (DIB) was the envy of the world. But declining investments in defense have significantly weakened the DIB, as have the cost and complexity of doing business with the Pentagon.



THE CHALLENGE

- ★ Critical acquisition programs are years behind schedule and way over budget. We no longer have enough munitions, ships, aircraft, or autonomous systems to ensure dominance against every adversary.
- ★ The decline in our defense industrial base has lowered our readiness and weakened our deterrence. And we are confronting an unprecedented global threat environment with multiple adversaries working together to undermine our security and that of our allies.



THE BOTTOM LINE

- ★ It has never been more important to have a robust defense industrial base that can produce for our warfighters at speed and scale.



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THE FY27 NDAA MAKES THE CRITICAL REFORMS NEEDED TO RESTORE DEFENSE MANUFACTURING, STRENGTHEN DETERRENCE, AND REBUILD THE ARSENAL OF FREEDOM:

- ★ Revitalizing the Defense Industrial Base
- ★ Reviving the Organic Industrial Base
- ★ Providing the Certainty Industry Needs to Expand Capacity
- ★ Growing and Developing the Defense Industrial Base Workforce
- ★ Advancing Small Business Participation in the Defense Industrial Base
- ★ Securing our Supply Chains
- ★ Furthering Acquisition Reform



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REVITALIZING THE INDUSTRIAL BASE

- ★ Builds back the U.S. Defense Industrial Base by expanding production capacity, unleashing private sector investment, reducing needless regulations, and creating thousands of skilled jobs for Americans.



REVIVING THE ORGANIC INDUSTRIAL BASE

- ★ Restores government-owned manufacturing and repair facilities while increasing capacity at depots, arsenals, and shipyards, and provides the tools to recruit and retain a skilled American workforce.



PROVIDING THE CERTAINTY INDUSTRY NEEDS TO EXPAND CAPACITY

- ★ Authorizes multiyear procurement authority for critical systems, giving manufacturers confidence to invest and expand. Streamlines procurement by requiring DoW to consider low-cost, mass-produced munitions.



GROWING AND DEVELOPING THE DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE WORKFORCE

- ★ Creates skilled technical jobs for Americans and expands training pipelines and partnerships so the U.S. has the talent pool needed to meet surge production demands.



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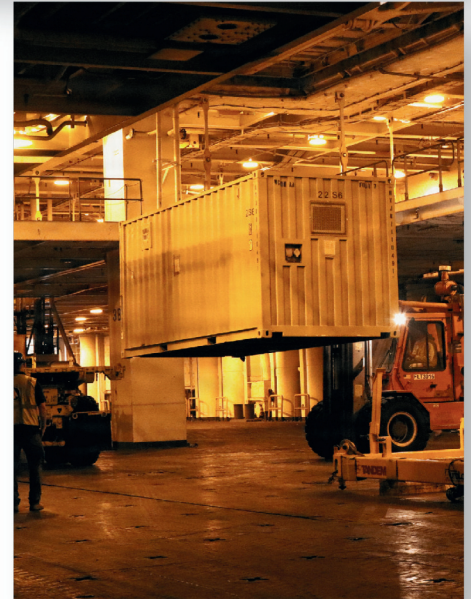
ADVANCING SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION IN THE DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE

★ Lowers barriers for small and non-traditional defense contractors and encourages innovative agile businesses to contract with DoD. Helps new entrants bridge the valley of death and leverages small businesses to address supply chain gaps.



SECURING OUR SUPPLY CHAINS

★ Reduces reliance on adversaries for critical materials and onshores production of key components and rare earth minerals. Identifies and mitigates single points of failure in the supply chain.



FURTHERING ACQUISITION REFORM

★ Builds on reforms in the FY26 NDAA to cut red tape that slows procurement and drives up costs—ensuring DoD is delivering capabilities to warfighters at speed.

