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## MEMORANDUM

April 24, 2025

**To: Members, Subcommittee on Military and Foreign Affairs**

**From: Committee Staff**

**Re: Hearing titled “Securing the Skies: Addressing Unauthorized Drone Activity Over U.S. Military Installations”**

On Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. ET in room HVC-210 of the U.S. Capitol Visitors Center, the Subcommittee on Military and Foreign Affairs will host a hearing titled “Securing the Skies: Addressing Unauthorized Drone Activity Over U.S. Military Installations.”

**I. BACKGROUND:**

Unauthorized Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) incursions over U.S. military installations have increased in frequency and sophistication in recent years. America’s adversaries are exploiting gaps in the federal government’s ability to detect and mitigate the threat from UAS, using drones for surveillance, espionage, and potentially kinetic attacks.

**II. HEARING PURPOSE:**

This hearing will examine the scope of recent UAS incursions over U.S. military installations within the continental United States. Additionally, this hearing will address what ways Congress can help inter-agency partners identify and address the risks to national security posed by unauthorized drone incursions.

**III. WITNESSES:**

**Rear Admiral Paul Spedero Jr.**

Vice Director for Operations, J3, Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS)  
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**Mr. M. Roosevelt Ditlevson**

Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense  
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**Mr. Timothy L. Arel**

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