

DETECTING CHINA IN THE FY25 NDAA

"I've described this security environment as the most dangerous I've seen in 40 years in uniform." – Admiral John Aquilino, Commander of U.S. Indo-Pacific Command (March 20, 2024)

Nuclear Deterrence – After surpassing the United States in ICBM launchers last year, China's nuclear buildup continues.

To maintain a strong nuclear deterrent, the FY25 NDAA will –

- Fully fund the modernization of our aging nuclear triad and nuclear command, control, and communications (NC3) architecture.
- Increase funding to continue development of the nuclear sea-launched cruise missile (SLCM-N).
- Increase funding to restore lost nuclear weapons production capacity.

Strengthening Seapower – China has the largest naval fleet in the world with dozens more warships than the United States.

The FY25 NDAA will ensure American Naval deterrent capability by -

- Keeping the acquisition of new Virginia-class attack submarines on track.
- Fully funding the construction of new Columbia-class ballistic missile submarines.
- Fully funding public shipyard modernization to improve Naval fleet readiness.
- Rejecting President Biden's efforts to cut the number of cruisers.

Success on Future Battlefields – China has outpaced the U.S. in the development of hypersonics, AI, and other innovative technologies.

To ensure our servicemembers can fight and win on future battlefields, the FY25 NDAA will -

- Accelerate the fielding of offensive hypersonic capabilities.
- Further the development and provide for the deployment of AI, quantum computing, and autonomous systems.
- Establish new mechanisms to expedite the deployment and integration of new warfighting technologies into the joint force.

Sustaining the Fight – The U.S. lacks the infrastructure to support full scale military operations in the Indo-Pacific.

To prepare for successful military operations in the Indo-Pacific, the FY25 NDAA will –

- Build the logistics infrastructure needed to support prolonged military deployment across the Indo-Pacific.
- Authorize essential military construction projects to support and defend our servicemembers and projection forces.
- Continue the recapitalization of our aging sealift and air refueling capabilities.
- Fully fund military exercises and readiness initiatives in the Indo-Pacific.

Preventing CCP Espionage – China has recruited spies at our universities, throughout our industrial base, and in our military.

The FY25 NDAA will crack down on Chinese espionage by -

- Protecting laboratories that test U.S. military equipment from Chinese espionage.
- Enhancing the Army's ability to identify and arrest spies in its ranks.
- Removing China from the defense supply chain.

