



MEDIA ADVISORY
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AVIATION WEEK's Defense Technology & Requirements Conference Begins Feb. 12 in Washington, DC

Media Invited to Gain Insight into President's \$515.4 billion FY 2009 Defense Budget

WHAT: AVIATION WEEK invites media representatives to attend the Defense Technology & Requirements Conference, a firsthand analysis of 2009 U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) initiatives, budgets, and current and future requirements, including President Bush's Fiscal Year 2009 budget, announced yesterday, which provides the DoD with \$515.4 billion in discretionary authority, \$35.9 billion (7.5%) more than the enacted level for Fiscal Year 2008. Editors and executives will be available to assist general media reporters by providing background, expertise and interviews to supplement coverage.

WHO: AVIATION WEEK's editorial and executive personnel, including Tom Henricks, President, AVIATION WEEK; Gregory Hamilton, Publisher-DTI & Strategic Media, AVIATION WEEK; and Ed Hazelwood, Editorial Director, AVIATION WEEK. Distinguished speakers from the Armed Forces, Congress and the U.S. Department of Defense include Rep. Neil Abercrombie, D- HI, Chairman of the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces; Gen. James T. Conway, 34th Commandant of the Marine Corps; Dr. James I. Finley, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology; Rep. John Murtha, D- PA, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, Defense Subcommittee; and Michael W. Wynne, Secretary of the Air Force. The conference is also expected to attract more than 125 defense industry product and business segment leaders and staff members, business and technology development professionals, and government relations leaders.

WHEN: The Defense Technology & Requirements Conference is on February 12, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and February 13, 2008, from 8:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. both days.

WHERE: National Press Club, 529 14th Street NW, Washington, DC 20045

WHY: Media representatives are invited to gain insight into how the U.S. Department of Defense and Congress plan to spend development and procurement dollars, as well as the priorities, refresh opportunities and programs that will move to the back burner in this process. Hear it directly from the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Navy, U.S. Army and U.S. Marines. Check in at the AVIATION WEEK Registration Desk at the National Press Club for complimentary issues of AVIATION WEEK's award-winning publications. Visit <http://www.aviationweek.com> for the latest show news, videos, podcasts, blogs, and online community features.

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