

# 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Test and Evaluation Symposium

## Congressional Keynote

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# Congress Numero Uno Responsibility

## FY16 Budget or Year Long CR

- Best case – pass DOD FY16 before Christmas
  - Worst case – CR for a year \*
- (there is no threat of a Government Shutdown)

\*Wild Card – Most Members (especially the leaders) do not want any distractions to the Parties' Presidential message – which will include a message about what happens with their FY-17 budget execution and FY-18/19 planning.

# FY-16 Budget Congressional Calendar

July

M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3 Independence Day (Observed)
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

August

M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31				

September

M	T	W	T	F
	1	2	3	4
7 Labor Day	8	9	10	11
14	15 Yom Kippur (Observance begins)	16	17	18
21	22 Yom Kippur begins	23 Yom Kippur Ends	24	25
28	29	30		

October

M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12 Columbus Day	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

November

M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11 Veterans Day	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26 Thanksgiving	27
30				

December

M	T	W	T	F
	1	2	3	4
7 Hanukkah begins (12/18)	8	9	10	11
14 Hanukkah ends	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day
28	29	30	31	

# The T0-DO List

- **October 1 FY-16 budget; expect a CR**  
(expect a long debate on tax/entitlement reform)
- **September 17; Iran JCPOA**
- **December 1; Debt Limit increase**
- **December 18; Highway Trust Fund**  
(a preview of possible fixes for the BCA-needs \$90B over six years)

# The FY-16 Budget Numbers

FY-15 Enacted  
(CR amount) = \$486B + \$64B = \$550B

FY-16 PB = \$520B = \$51B = \$571B

Approximately \$35B

FY-16 HAC Floor Passed = \$484B + **\$88B** = \$572B

SAC reported = \$482B + **\$87B** = \$570B

Who gets to find \$35B + \$35B  
for on-budget increases?



We don't know what will happen over the next year  
but we do know where to look to find out

# For what scenario are we training and equipping to fight?

- Russia at sea
- Iran on the ground (protection SA-10/SA-23?)
- China in the air after the pivot
- North Korea in Missile Defense

(WSMR Granite Target Site Environmental Assessment)



Figure C-1: Eagle nestling approximately 6 weeks old in nest near Granite site, 13 May 2015.

- Somebody in outerspace or cyberspace
- ISIS

# Encroachment

(it's not just T&E but training is a perishable skill)



We can't just test for function but must have space for dynamic problems to solve in real time



# Who Manages the Spectrum?

- We have to talk, need T&E for hardware and con-ops training

- We have to attack



- We have to defend



# T&E Worries Growing for Congress

(while we're not hyperventilating over cyber)

- T&E Cost of Doing Business – Acquisition Reform
- ITAR & MTCR Impact
- Nuclear Propulsion in Space
- Tactics in Space
- Fighting Below 30 meters  
(realistic JLENS testing?)
- Electronic Attack
- Hypersonics



Tell your Member of Congress what you see