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New Senior Fellows Join CSBA

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Related Experts: Christopher J. Bowie, David A. Cooper

Washington, DC – The Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments (CSBA) today announced the appointment of its newest Non-Resident Senior Fellows, adding to its team of world-class defense and security analysts.

Christopher J. Bowie joined the RAND Corporation in 1981 as a member of the technical staff, where he worked on nuclear bomber operations, aerial refueling concepts, fighter employment operations, and a variety of air power doctrine and strategy issues. Dr. Bowie served as a member of the Secretary of the Air Force's personal staff from 1989-1991, returning to RAND as Associate Director of the National Security Studies program. In 1994, Dr. Bowie joined Northrop Grumman, where he held a variety of management positions. In 2002, the Air Force selected him to serve as the Deputy Director for Strategic Planning on the Air Staff. In that capacity, Dr. Bowie helped develop future USAF force structure plans, divestiture contingency planning, space policy, and a variety of other key long-range planning and outreach issues.

Dr. Bowie rejoined Northrop Grumman in 2005 to conduct cost-effectiveness and policy analyses of a wide array of issues, including aerial refueling, long-range strike, unmanned systems, radar technology, aircraft sustainment, and ballistic missiles. In 2010, he was appointed Director of the Corporate Analysis Center, where he and his team provided analytic support to senior management on a variety of key issues. Dr. Bowie retired from Northrop Grumman in 2021 and continues to write on key air power and national security issues.

David Cooper has more than three decades of expertise in nuclear policy, arms control negotiations, nuclear and missile nonproliferation, and foreign and defense policy. He previously was James V. Forrestal Professor of National Security Affairs at the U.S. Naval War College, serving for eight years as Chair of the Department of National Security Affairs. His most recent books are *Arms Control for the Third Nuclear Age: Between Disarmament and Armageddon* (Georgetown University Press, 2021) and, with Nikolas Gvosdev and Jessica Blankshain, *Decision-Making in American Foreign Policy: Translating Theory into Practice* (Cambridge University Press, 2019), along with numerous book chapters and journal articles. He also served as a Senior Fellow and Director of Education and Outreach at the Center for the Study of Weapons of Mass Destruction at the National Defense University and has taught at Georgetown University, American University, and Park University.

Dr. Cooper also served for nearly twenty years as a policy official in the Department of Defense, including as the inaugural Director of Strategic Communication and Interim Director of Outreach (J-9) at the U.S. Africa Command. Other Pentagon roles included Principal Director for Homeland Security Integration, Director of Nonproliferation Policy, and Director of Strategic Arms Control Policy. He has extensive international negotiating experience in roles such as U.S. Representative to the United Nations Panel of Governmental Experts on Missiles, U.S. Head of Delegation to the Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI) Operational Experts Group, and OSD representative to the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC) Protocol negotiations, Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR), Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), the Arms Control and Regional Security (ACRS) talks of the Middle East Peace Process, and in numerous bilateral negotiations including with Russia, China, and North Korea.

“Over the past year, CSBA has greatly enhanced our roster of Senior Fellows, and Chris and Dave continue that pattern with enormously impressive, complementary credentials on aerospace, arms control, and defense strategy,” said Dr. Thomas G. Mahnken, President and CEO of CSBA. “We are delighted to welcome them to the CSBA team, and we look forward to including their perspective in our future work.”

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