Legislative Briefing

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Total Budget Trends
(Including supplemental and OCO funding)

(FY 2016 Dollars in Billions)

Korea
FY52-56: -42.4%

Vietnam
FY68-74: -29.9%

Reagan Buildup
FY86-98: -32.8%

Iraq/Afghan

Projections (red bars) assume FYDP plus $26.7 billion annual
placeholders for OCO in years beyond FY 2016
Issues Facing Congress – “Lame Duck”

- APPROPRIATIONS
- TRANSPORTATION (FAA) – *Current Deal Expires July 15*
- NDAA
- ACQUISITION REFORM
- HEALTH CARE
- FOREIGN POLICY (Middle East, N. Korea, Russia)
- TAX REFORM?
- PUERTO RICO DEBT
- ELECTIONS!
National Defense Authorization Act

• **Topline:** Funds DoD at $610 billion, takes out $18 billion from OCO and puts it in base - next President will decide whether or not to restore those funds.

• **Other Defense Policy Highlights:**
  – Tenure for the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff would increase to four years from two and overlap presidential terms. Combatant commands would have reduced staff and fewer generals with four-star status.
  – Cyber Command would become a stand-alone operation; it’s now under U.S. Strategic Command.
  – The secretary of defense would be required to commission an independent review of the bid protest process for major defense programs, and include an assessment of whether protests filed with the Government Accountability Office have delayed procurement.
“Acquisition Agility Act”

- Chairman Thornberry wants to provide DoD greater “agility” to maintain technological superiority in a rapidly evolving threat environment and keep up with the accelerating pace of technological innovation by:
  - Differentiating between platform and components;
  - Requiring modular open systems architecture;
  - Clarifying intellectual property rights;
  - Providing Services Milestone Decision Authority for joint programs.

- NDIA submitted recommendations that address the following concerns:
  - Lack of recognition for the role of systems integrators;
  - Rigidity of the MOSA requirement;
  - Bureaucracy created and required for implementation.
## Status of Appropriations Bills as of April 22

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