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The Economic Club of Washington, D.C. welcomes

The Honorable Ashton B. Carter Secretary, U.S. Department of Defense

Secretary Carter will share with the Economic Club his outlook for the upcoming Department of Defense budget as the Pentagon confronts a range of threats. He will spell out his spending priorities at a time of limited defense dollars, and identify some of the key investments that will continue to give America's war fighters an edge. The Secretary will also join David Rubenstein, president of the Economic Club of Washington, for a discussion that is expected to include details on the department's efforts to accelerate the military campaign against ISIL in Iraq and Syria, an update on the U.S. mission in Afghanistan and the importance of the administration's rebalance to the Asia-Pacific.

When: Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Reception 7:00 a.m.

Breakfast 8:00 a.m.

Remarks 8:30 a.m.

All Video Cameras Must Be Set Up By 8:00 a.m.

Where: The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, DC, Ritz-Carlton Ballroom
1150 22nd Street, N.W., Washington, DC

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