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National Press Club

8:30–8:45 Opening and Welcome Remarks
General Norton Schwartz, Institute for Defense Analyses
Monde Muyangwa, Woodrow Wilson Center Africa Program
Ms. Magdalena Bajill, Office of the Director of National Intelligence

8:45–9:15 Ms. Whitney Baird, U.S. Department of State
Introduction by Ms. Magdalena Bajill, ODNI

AFRICA’S INTERNAL POLITICAL AND CONFLICT DYNAMICS

9:15–10:30 Panel 1: The Democratic Dividend
Prof. E. Gyimah-Boadi, Afrobarometer
Dr. Jaimie Bleck, Notre Dame University
Moderator: Mr. Jon Temin, Freedom House

10:30–11:00 Mr. Pete Marocco, U.S. Department of Defense
Introduction by Dr. Dorina Bekoe, IDA

11:00–12:15 Panel 2: Africa’s Conflict Management Reforms
Dr. Paul D. Williams, The George Washington University
Ms. Michelle Ndiaye, Institute for Peace and Security Studies
Moderator: Dr. Stephanie Burchard, IDA

12:15–1:30 Lunch and Keynote Address
Major General Christopher E. Craige, U.S. Africa Command
Introduction by General Norton Schwartz, IDA

STAKEHOLDERS IN AFRICA’S PEACE AND SECURITY

1:30–2:45 Panel 3: Women and Youth: Stakeholders in Africa’s Security and Prosperity
Ms. Sandra Pepera, National Democratic Institute
Dr. Marc Sommers, Independent Consultant
Moderator: Dr. Ashley Bybee, IDA

2:45–3:15 Break

3:15–4:30 Panel 4: Africa’s Expanding International Stakeholders
Dr. Lina Benabdallah, Wake Forest University
Mr. Judd Devermont, Center for Strategic and International Studies
Moderator: Mr. Michael K. Morrow, Woodrow Wilson Center

4:30–5:00 Closing
General Norton Schwartz, IDA