

DEFENSE SENSE

OPTIONS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY SAVINGS

FISCAL YEAR 2014 UPDATE

Project on Defense Alternatives, Center for International Policy

Personnel: \$4+ billion in FY14 savings

PROPOSAL	FY14 savings
1. Remove 15,000 additional military personnel from Europe	\$150 m.
2. Reduce end-strength by an additional 30,000 personnel	\$2,200 m.
3. Reduce civilian personnel by an additional 10,000	\$650 m.
4. Reduce contractor workforce by 5,000 positions	\$1,260 m.

Modernization: \$18+ billion in FY14 savings

PROPOSAL	FY14 savings
5. Freeze Trident II (D5) missile	\$1,400 m.
6. Curtail missile defense spending	\$3,000 m.
7. Delay <i>Ohio</i> -class replacement submarine (SSBN-X)	\$800 m.
8. Delay Long Range Strike Bomber	\$275 m.
9. Cancel Littoral Combat Ship	\$2,200 m.
10. Cancel V-22 Osprey and buy alternative helicopter	\$1,150 m.
11. Slow procurement of <i>Virginia</i> -class submarine (SSN-774)	\$2,500 m.
12. Slow procurement of <i>Arleigh Burke</i> -class destroyer (DDG-51)	\$855 m.
13. Reduce procurement of P-8 Poseidon	\$1,800 m.
14. Postpone procurement of Ground Combat Vehicle	\$400 m.
15. Delay refurbishment of the M1 Abrams tank	\$250 m.
16. Reduce purchase of F-35 Lightning II from 29 to 12 aircraft. Add purchase of 10 F-16 Block 60 aircraft and 7 F/A-18E/F aircraft	\$3,400 m.

Specification of F-35 Variant Options

- **F-35A:** Reduce current procurement by 50% with an eye toward capping the program at 325 aircraft. Fulfill the remaining requirement with new F-16 Block 60 fighters.
- **F-35B:** Reduce procurement by 50% for FY14 with an eye toward capping the total buy at 200 aircraft. Fulfill remaining requirement with F/A-18E/F aircraft.
- **F-35C:** Cancel variant and transfer existing assets to the other services. Fulfill requirement with F/A-18E/F aircraft.