"AFRICOM: Rationales, Roles, and Progress on the Eve of Operations -- Part II"

On July 23, 2008, the Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs continued its hearing series exploring the role of the Defense Department's new Africa combatant command (AFRICOM) in relation to overall U.S. diplomatic, development, and defense interests and activities in Africa. This hearing followed up on the Subcommittee's July 15 hearing that explored the rationale, roles, and stand-up of AFRICOM in advance of its anticipated full operational capability as of October 1, 2008.

Witness List

- **Ambassador Jim Bishop**, Vice President, Humanitarian Policy and Practice, InterAction
- **Ms. Kathleen Hicks**, Senior Fellow, International Security Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies
- **Mr. Mark Malan**, Peacebuilding Program Officer, Refugees International
- **Dr. Stephen Morrison**, Director, Africa Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies

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