FY24 President’s Budget Request Memorandum | 27 March 2023

BLUF: President Biden released the FY24 President’s Budget on March 13th, 2023, with most budget supporting documents not being released until mid-to-late March. The President’s budget requests $842.0 billion in spending for the Department of Defense. This is an increase of 3.1%, or $26.0 billion, above FY23 enacted levels.

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Summary funding: The President’s Budget requests $842.0 billion for the Department of Defense

ARNG

- Requests funding for continued ARNG end strength at 325,000 soldiers
- $828.9 million for modernization of 42 AH-64E Apache Block IIIA helicopters for the Army
  - 24 aircraft designated for the ARNG
- No request for AH-64E Apache Block IIIB new-build helicopters for the Army or ARNG
- $760.75 million for 24 UH-60M Black Hawk helicopters for the ARNG
- $153.2 million for 26 UH-60 Black Hawk L and V model helicopters for the ARNG
- $221.42 million for 6 CH-47 Chinook helicopters for the Army
  - No aircraft designated for the ARNG
- $2.19 million for 54 new Bradley Fire Support Team (BFIST) for ARNG to replace the aging M981 Fire Support Vehicle
- $697.8 million for the Abrams Upgrade Program to modernize 34 M1A2s for the ARNG
- $614.3 million for the Stryker upgrade program for the Army
$469.2 million for 24 Paladin Integrated Management Systems for the Army
  o 12 designated for the ARNG

$839.4 million for 2,601 Joint Light Tactical Vehicles (JLTVs) for the Army
  o 360 designated for the ARNG

$340.2 million for ARNG military construction (MILCON), includes requested funding for projects in 12 states and Puerto Rico

The Army will continue its focus on Regionally Aligned Readiness Modernization Model (ReARMM) to shift the organization focus to division-centric formations from BCTs
  o The budget supports 11 Armored Brigade Combat Teams, 13 Infantry Brigade Combat Teams, 7 Stryker Brigade Combat Teams (total of 31 Active Component BCTs), 5 Security Force Assistance Brigades, and 11 Combat Aviation Brigades
  o Maintains 27 ARNG Brigade Combat Teams (BCTs), 8 Combat Aviation Brigades (CABs) and 2 Theater Aviation Brigades

The Army will conduct 22 brigade-level Combat Training Center (CTC) rotations in FY24

Air National Guard

Requests funding for ANG end strength at 108,400 airmen
  o Increase of 3.3% from FY23

$5.3 billion for 48 F-35A Lightning II aircraft for the Air Force
  o No aircraft designated for the ANG

$2.9 billion for 24 F-15EX aircraft for the Air Force
  o No aircraft designated for the ANG

$2.9 billion for 15 KC-46A Pegasus aircraft for the Air Force
  o No aircraft designated for the ANG

$71.2 million for C-130H modifications, including: NP2000 propeller upgrades, T-56 series 3.5 engine upgrades, and Modular Airborne Firefighting System

$66.3 million for F-16 AESA Radars for the Air National Guard

$178.7 million for ANG MILCON, includes requested funding for projects in 5 states

Maintains 21 ANG Combat Coded Squadrons from FY23 and reduces ANG TAI from 982 to 962
  o Air Force documentation cites divestment of 42 A-10s, 57 F-15C/Ds, 32 Block 20 F-22s, 37 HH-60Gs, 24 KC-10s, 48 MQ-9s, 3 E-8 JSTARS, 4 EC-130Js and 2 C-130Hs
Joint-Personnel

- Requests a 5.2 percent military and civilian personnel pay raise
  - 0.6 percent more than enacted FY23 levels
- $126.6 million for National Guard Youth Challenge program
- No funding for National Guard STARBASE program
- $15.6 million for National Guard Innovative Training program
- $102.3 million for the National Guard Counter-drug program
- $5.9 million for National Guard Counter-drug Schools

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