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TWENTY YEARS AFTER NATO'S BIG BANG ENLARGEMENT

Twenty years ago, the world saw the largest NATO enlargement ever when seven nations -Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia – joined the defense alliance. This "Big Bang" enlargement was intended to help heal painful Cold War divisions and increase the hopes for a lasting security built on shared aspirations for peace and freedom. Today at 75, NATO is bigger, more powerful and more diverse, yet facing an aggressive war on its eastern doorstep. The participants in this panel, experts in international security policy and military strategy, will assess the geopolitics of enlargement, the current challenge of Russia's return as NATO's main adversary and the future of the Trans-Atlantic security cooperation.

PANELISTS

Admiral Andrew L. Lewis, Retired Vice Admiral of United States Navy, Retired NATO Officer, Distinguished Fellow, Transatlantic Defense and Security Program, Center for European Policy Analysis

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