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John K. Warden Honored for Contributions During IDA Fellowship

ALEXANDRIA, VA (January 2023) – John K. Warden was [recognized](#) in December 2022 by Rep. Jim Cooper, the chairman of the Strategic Forces Subcommittee, for his exceptional work on the House Armed Services Committee during the second session of the 117th Congress. Warden is a research staff member in the Strategy, Forces and Resources Division at IDA and supported the committee as an IDA fellow.

Warden was responsible for advising on the nuclear weapons portfolio as a member of the committee’s professional staff and was commended for his expertise and contributions. “It’s a great honor to be recognized by Chairman Cooper, who has long been a leading voice in Congress on strategic issues and will be sorely missed,” said Warden. “I am privileged to have had the opportunity work on the committee and proud of what we accomplished.”

Rep. Cooper wrote in the Congressional Record, “due to John’s technical acumen and deep subject matter expertise, the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act prioritizes recapitalization of the nuclear triad, increases oversight across the (Department of Defense) and (National Nuclear Security Administration) weapons and warhead programs, and rightly highlights the need to continue improving and protecting our Nuclear Command, Communications, and Control architecture.”

Warden received his bachelor’s degree in political science and history in 2009 from Northwestern University. In 2014, he received his master’s degree in security studies from Georgetown University.

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