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Irrational Security:
The Politics of Military Spending Today

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Why is this country seemingly incapable of having a rational debate about national security? Irony abounds as policymakers confront the legacy of a decade-long military spending spree in the year that marks the 50th anniversary of Eisenhower’s valedictory warning of the unwarranted influence of a military-industrial complex. The Bush buildup and the current debates about the future of military policy and spending provide the context for an analysis of the particular array of forces that drive military policy and spending. What makes defense different as an arena of public policy?


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