

**JOINT STATEMENT ON
U.S.-UK COORDINATION ON STRATEGIC DOCUMENTS**

The Department of Defense of the United States of America (DoD) and the Ministry of Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (MOD) recognize the value of U.S.-UK strategic alignment. In line with past collaboration to inform key policy documents, including the United Kingdom's recently published Integrated Review of Security, Defence, Development and Foreign Policy (Integrated Review) and the Defence Command Paper, the DoD and the MOD intend to consult with each other to inform the upcoming development of the next U.S. National Defense Strategy (NDS). Further, the DoD and the MOD commit to supporting each other's future strategy development processes in order to enhance our approach to addressing mutual defense and security challenges, including through the U.S.-UK Defense Dialogue, co-chaired by the DoD Deputy Secretary and MOD Permanent Secretary, and regular high-level strategic exchanges to discuss shared challenges in Europe and the Indo-Pacific region.

Signed in London, United Kingdom, on the 15th day of April, 2021.

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