

**VETERANS STRENGTHENING AMERICA**

**NATIONAL SECURITY DIVISION'S WEEKLY REPORT**

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**September 26-30, 2022**

**STAFF ACTIVITY**

* Staff attended a hearing titled "Keeping the Pressure on Russia and Its Enablers: Examining the Reach of and Next Steps for US Sanctions" hosted by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

<https://www.foreign.senate.gov/press/dem/release/sfrc-chairman-menendez-remarks-at-full-committee-hearing-keeping-the-pressure-on-russia-and-its-enablers-examining-the-reach-of-and-next-steps-for-us-sanctions>

* Staff attended a webinar, "One Year After Withdrawal: Update on Afghanistan."

Hosted by the Center for a New American Security.

<https://www.cnas.org/events/virtual-event-one-year-after-withdrawal-update-on-afghanistan>

* Staff met with Hiring Our Heroes to discuss military spouse advocacy issues.
* Staff is preparing for the 2022 Fall NEC.
* Staff continued research on resolutions referred to the NS Commission during the 103rd National Convention.
* NS staff completed the 2021-2022 Congressional Report.
* Director Marquez attended a Defense Summit in Raleigh, North Carolina.
* Staff is preparing to receive NVC Kennedy on October 5-6 to attend the Taiwan 112th National Day event.

**POW/MIA**

**September 28, 2022**

* Soldier accounted for from World War II (Tash, J.)

**September 29, 2022**

* Solider accounted for from World War II (Brooks, J.C.)

**PROGRAMS (The American Legion Military Surplus Equipment)**

* Processed request: Ammo – 21,080; Rifle – 65; Clips – 165; Static Display – 5
* Participants: Post – 23; Department – 19