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**CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS ADMIRAL JONATHAN W. GREENERT TO SPEAK ON RETOOLING U.S. NAVY TO MEET NATIONAL SECURITY NEEDS**

**SEATTLE, WA** (September 19, 2013) -- The U.S. military, an active force that can potentially change in size and shape, faces a constrained budget due to the realities of sequestration. With this in mind, the Slade Gorton International Policy Center at The National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR) will host Admiral Jonathan W. Greenert, Chief of Naval Operations, to speak on the retooling of the U.S. Navy as it transitions from supporting two large land wars to a complex and challenging national security environment.

In a conversation moderated by former U.S. Senator Slade Gorton, Admiral Greenert will discuss what the Navy is doing to ensure America's global presence and protection of U.S. interests overseas, the military's strategic rebalance to the Asia-Pacific, and how the Navy faces the challenges of today as well as those of the future.

**WHO:**

**Admiral Jonathan W. Greenert** is Chief of Naval Operations & Member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

**Senator Slade Gorton** is Counselor (in residence) at NBR. He represented Washington State in the U.S. Senate.

**WHEN:**

Tuesday, September 24

11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

**WHERE:**

The Rainier Club

820 Fourth Avenue

Seattle, WA 98104

[Click here](#) for Admiral Greenert's full biography.

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