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Statement of CSPC President and CEO Glenn Nye on the Nomination of R. Nicholas Burns as Ambassador to the People's Republic of China

On behalf of the Board and staff of the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress, we welcome the nomination of longtime CSPC Trustee Ambassador Nick Burns to serve as U.S. Ambassador to the People's Republic of China. We are delighted by the choice President Biden has made for this important diplomatic role and hope that he will receive swift confirmation by the Senate.

Given the importance and complexity of the U.S.-China relationship, we can think of no better diplomat, thought leader and scholar to serve in this vital post. Having served in senior diplomatic roles for presidents of both parties, including as Ambassador to the NATO alliance and as Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs, Nick's breadth of experience and depth of expertise will be invaluable as he again represents American interests overseas and manages a key relationship characterized by intense competition. Nick's advice has been invaluable to the work of CSPC and many other American institutions on global competition and cooperation, and U.S.-China relations, and his continued service will be a great benefit to the United States.

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