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The Section 809 Panel is a congressionally mandated panel designed to be a catalyst that restores agility and simplicity to defense acquisition through bold and effective recommendations.

Good morning- We found several articles that you may be interested in. Have a great weekend!

These 7 Chinese companies each topped $5B in defense sales — and could rival American firms

August 23, 2018 | Aaron Mehta

With China now the second-largest spender on defense in the world, Chinese companies are logically going to rank among the largest defense firms. But quantifying that number has proven incredibly difficult thanks to the opaque nature of both government spending and the firms themselves.

Now, a London-based think tank has concluded that seven Chinese firms would rank among the top 20 defense companies in the world, each breaking $5 billion in defense revenues — a proportion that rivals any one nation outside the U.S.

Lucie Beraud-Sudreau and Meia Nouwens, two researchers with the International Institute for Strategic Studies, looked at eight key defense firms from China — the China Aviation Industry Corporation (AVIC), China Electronics Technology Enterprise (CETC), China North Industries Group Corporation (NORINCO), China South Industries Group Corporation (CSGC), China State Shipbuilding Corporation (CSSC), China Shipbuilding Industry Corporation (CSIC), China Aerospace Science and Technology Corporation (CASC), and China Aerospace Science and Industry Corporation (CASIC).

The researchers looked at the largest defense firms and key subsidiaries, excluding a pair of nuclear-focused Chinese companies, classifying each as defense- or civilian-focused. Then they used the differentiation to calculate how much of each company's total revenues was derived from defense-related sales.

Read more HERE.

Other Articles of Interest

Some Modest Proposals for Defense Department Requirements Reform
August 23, 2018 | Colin Jones and Alexander Kirss

White House Unveils More Details About Proposed Modernization Center
August 23, 2018 | Jack Corrigan

US spies warn of increase in supply chain vulnerabilities
August 23, 2018 | Justin Lynch

Senate passes $675 billion defense budget bill, with hopes of avoiding funding lapse next month
August 23, 2018 | Leo Shane III

Performance-Based Payments and Progress Payments (DFARS Case 2017-D019)
August 24, 2018 | DARS

DLA turns to AI, machine learning to bring surety to the DoD supply chain
August 23, 2018 | Jason Miller

Securing America's Technological Advantage
August 24, 2018 | Stephanie Douglas

DHS launching 'risk radar' for agency leaders to see big picture on cyber threats
August 23, 2018 | Jory Heckman

Army experimenting with SOF-tested equipment while building long-term tactical network plan
August 24, 2018 | Jared Serbu

The Pentagon is under pressure to stop spending money on 'beerbots,' which is exactly what it sounds like
August 23, 2018 | Christopher Woody

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