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Energy Security Expert Joins the American Security Project

New Adjunct Fellow Andrew Holland helps ASP spearhead new initiative on America's future energy choices

WASHINGTON, D.C., 17 May 2011 – The American Security Project (ASP) today announced the addition of Andrew Holland as a new Adjunct Fellow, focusing on energy and climate change issues. Andrew will lead ASP's latest energy initiative on the choices America has about how it powers its economy for the future.

Dr. Jim Ludes, Executive Director of ASP, said: "America has choices when it comes to its energy future. At ASP, we're dedicated to exploring those choices, understanding the costs and benefits of different approaches and raising the level of public debate. These are big issues—and reasonable people will disagree. Just as we did with our recent analysis of climate change, ASP is looking to bring fact-based analysis back into vogue when we're talking about America's future energy needs and choices. We're thrilled that someone with Andrew Holland's experience and talent will be a part of our effort."

Dr. Ludes went on to say: "The price of oil weighs on all of us—and as we saw in our recent study 'Pay Now, Pay Later,' so will the cost of unmitigated climate change. The solution to both these challenges will lie in the choices we make as a nation, where we invest and what we prioritize. Luckily, we have many choices and new technologies to explore, whether it's advanced wind and solar, nuclear, carbon capture or fusion. Securing our energy future will take American leadership and strategic investment."

Andrew Holland is a Washington-based expert on energy, climate change and infrastructure policy. He has over seven years of experience working at the center of debates about how to achieve sustainable energy security and how to effectively address climate change. Mr. Holland is an experienced writer and strategic analyst. He has spoken about energy security, Arctic policy, and water resources at high-level events in South Korea, Brussels, Washington, London, Geneva, and China. Read his full bio here.

Andrew Holland said: "I am excited to be joining ASP as an Adjunct Fellow. I first learned about ASP from their association with my former boss, ASP Board Member Chuck Hagel. Over the past two years, I have followed the important work done by ASP, especially their "Climate Security Index" and the recently-released 'Pay Now, Pay Later' report. I look forward to working on a project about America's future energy choices.

Mr. Holland continued: Over the next decade, our country faces a series of choices about how we will develop and produce the energy we need to power our economy, our society, and our way of life. Some of these choices will be made by government policy, but many of the most important choices will also be made by individuals and companies in the private sector. I hope that my research will provide an important contribution to this debate."

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About the American Security Project: The American Security Project is a non-profit, bipartisan public policy and research organization dedicated to fostering knowledge and understanding of a range of national security issues, promoting debate about the appropriate use of American power, and cultivating strategic responses to 21st century challenges. For more information, visit www.americansecurityproject.org.