



Formal Minutes of the Defence Sub-Committee in Session 2023–24

Tuesday 20 February 2024

Members present

Emma Lewell-Buck, in the Chair
Sarah Atherton
Martin Docherty-Hughes
Richard Drax
Mark Francois
Jesse Norman
Sir Jeremy Quin
Gavin Robinson
Derek Twigg

1. Developing AI Capacity and Expertise in UK Defence

James Black, Assistant Director of the Defence and Security research group at RAND Europe, Dr Simona Soare, Senior Lecturer at Lancaster University and Air Marshal (Retd) Edward Stringer, Senior Fellow, Policy Exchange, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 27 February 2024 at 10.00am.



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Neil Morphett, Chief Engineer, Advanced Technology, Lockheed Martin Rotary and Mission Systems UK, Dr Simon Harwood, Director of Capability and Chief Technology Officer, Leonardo UK, Richard Drake, General Manager, Anduril Industries, Phil Morris, Head of Defence AI (United Kingdom) Palantir Technologies and Andrew van der Lem, Head of Defence, Faculty AI, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

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James Cartlidge MP, Minister for Defence Procurement, Paul Lincoln CB OBE VR, Second Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Defence and Lt Gen. Tom Copinger-Symes CBE, Deputy Commander, UK Strategic Command, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned to a day and time to be fixed by the Chair.