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Katherine Thompson has spent over six years working on Capitol Hill in the national security space, most recently serving as the National Security Advisor to Senator Mike Lee (R-UT). In her capacity as National Security Advisor, Katherine led the Senator's national security team and advised on all matters relating to foreign policy, national defense, and intelligence. Katherine started her career on Capitol Hill with Senator Lee as a Legislative Correspondent in 2018 and became the Senator's Military Legislative Assistant in 2020.

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Katherine's writings on national security policy have appeared in National Review and the Federalist. Katherine received a BA in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics from the King's College NYC and is currently a candidate for a Master's Degree in War, History, and Diplomacy from King's College London's Department of War Studies.

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