



## Arctic Imperatives: Reinforcing U.S. Strategy on America's Fourth Coast (Paperback)

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Council on Foreign Relations Press, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. The United States, through Alaska, is a significant Arctic nation with strategic, economic, and scientific interests, asserts a new Council on Foreign Relations-sponsored (CFR) Independent Task Force report, Arctic Imperatives: Reinforcing U.S. Strategy on America's Fourth Coast. With the Arctic warming at twice the rate as the rest of the planet and melting sea ice opening up this resource-rich region to new trade routes and commercial activities, the report stresses that the United States needs to increase its strategic commitment to the region or risk leaving its interests unprotected. Chaired by Thad Allen, retired admiral and former commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, and Christine Todd Whitman, former administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and governor of New Jersey, the Task Force finds that the United States lags behind other Arctic nations that have updated their strategic and commercial calculations to take advantage of the changing conditions stemming from the opening of the region. The report notes that while Russia has numerous ice-breaking vessels and China is building a third icebreaker, the United States owns only two operational ice-breaking...



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