## DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION

## U.S. COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS BRIEFED ON EISENHOWER NATIONAL MEMORIAL DESIGN ELEMENTS AND MATERIALS

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**WASHINGTON, DC** – The Eisenhower Memorial Commission (EMC) today briefed the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) on a number of design and fabrication-specific items.

Today members of the Gehry Partners design team presented a holistic overview of the memorial design and its critical elements. Specifically, presentations were made about the thematic concept for the memorial and how the elements of sculpture, tapestry, and landscaping are integrated to convey the history and achievements of Dwight D. Eisenhower as both Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces and 34<sup>th</sup> President of the United States.

Following today's meeting, Eisenhower Memorial Commission Chairman, Rocco Siciliano, commented, "Heroic scale bronze sculptures, stone bas reliefs, and quotations celebrate Eisenhower's contributions to our nation. His humility, values and achievements are what set him apart – so these are what will set the memorial apart. This once-in-a-lifetime project has attracted a remarkably talented group of artists from numerous disciplines. We are all excited and honored to be part of the effort to memorialize one of the greatest leaders of the twentieth century."

The U.S. Commission of Fine Arts granted revised concept approval to the Eisenhower Memorial on October 16, 2014.

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