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Mr. Louis A. Kratz is the Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics Plans and Programs), within the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics and Materiel Readiness). As such, he is responsible for guiding the DoD's logistics process improvement efforts to meet the operational requirements of the 21st Century. Mr. Kratz oversees the development of DoD's long-range logistics planning to meet the requirements of Joint Vision 2020 and the implementation of DoD's performance-based product support practices. Mr. Kratz leads DoD's acquisition logistics policy development and serves as the Defense Standardization Executive.

TASC (1984-1998):

Mr. Kratz was the Director of Life Cycle Integration at TASC with 18 years of experience in weapon system acquisition, acquisition reform, CALS, and information resource management. Mr. Kratz was an initial contributor to the CITIS specification and cost/benefit guidelines. Mr. Kratz also directed TASC's support to the OSD Acquisition Reform Office and the FAA Acquisition Policy Office including policy development, metrics, cost/benefit analyses, and best practices assessments. Previously, Mr. Kratz directed detailed acquisition strategy analyses for the ACM, SFW, RAJPO, V-22, D-5, Stinger PMS, FOG-M, and Aquila programs. These efforts involved cost/benefit analyses of alternative strategies, tooling indemnification, subcontract management, and breakout.

Sears World Trade (1983-1984) - As an associate at Sears World Trade, Mr. Kratz was the principal author of Establishing Competitive Production Sources: A Handbook for Program Managers, prepared for the Defense Systems Management College. Mr. Kratz also prepared an integrated logistic support plan for the Canadian Low Level Air Defense System.

TASC (1980-1983) - As an acquisition analyst, Mr. Kratz conducted cost/benefit analyses of alternative acquisition strategies for AMRAAM and GPS. He also provided analytic support to the Air Force Affordable Acquisition Approach (A3) Study and the Air Force Contract Management Review.

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