

Statement by Secretary Hagel on the Nomination of Ashton Carter

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (DEC. 5, 2014)

Earlier today, President Obama announced that he will nominate Ashton Carter to succeed me as secretary of defense. Ash is a patriot and a leader. I strongly support his nomination.

Over a distinguished career of public service, Ash has served eleven secretaries of defense. He has held the number two and number three jobs at the Pentagon—and, for both, was confirmed unanimously by the United States Senate. He is a renowned strategist, scientist, and scholar with expertise spanning from international security and counterterrorism to science, technology, and innovation. And I know that Ash and Stephanie are committed to America's men and women in uniform, and their families.

In my first year as secretary, when Ash was my deputy, I had the opportunity to work with him on some of our nation's toughest national security challenges. I relied on him to lead some of the Defense Department's most important initiatives.

If confirmed as secretary of defense, Ash Carter would make important contributions to our nation's security and armed forces. I urge the United States Senate to confirm Ash without delay, and, until then, I look forward to continuing my service as secretary and ensuring a smooth transition.

DLA Energy Leader Inducted into Senior Executive Service

DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY ENERGY (DEC. 12, 2014)

Susan Lowe

Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Energy Deputy Commander George Atwood was inducted into the Senior Executive Service (SES) Dec. 11 during a ceremony at the McNamara Headquarters Complex.

"I always talk about how great DLA is; you've heard me say that a million times," said DLA Director Navy Vice Admiral Mark Harnitchek, who hosted the event. "The reason we're a great organization is because of folks like George."

Getting to promote civilians to the equivalent of the rank of a one-star general in the military is a huge honor, he said. Many are called, but few are chosen, Harnitchek said. In an organization of about 27,000 employees, there are only 24 senior executives.

DLA depends on leaders with terrific people skills, leadership skills, and in-depth organizational knowledge who are

able to respond when the president calls on DLA to help in places like Haiti, New York, New Jersey, and Liberia, Harnitchek said.

Air Force Brig. Gen. Giovanni Tuck, DLA Energy's former commander, provided written comments for Atwood's induction.

"George is the first DLA Energy employee to rise to the SES rank," Tuck wrote. "You are the right leader at the right time, with your vast energy expertise and knowledge, to co-pilot this energy airplane as it is being built. ... Your leadership style is collaborative and inclusive, and people want to be around you because you make them feel part of a team that is something bigger than themselves."

During the ceremony, other DLA and DLA Energy senior leaders praised Atwood's accomplishments and leadership abilities.

"George, I don't know what you're going to do, but I know it's going to be great." Harnitchek said.

The ceremony included Atwood's swearing in, the presentation of an official SES memo signed by the secretary of defense, the presentation of an SES flag, and the pinning of an SES pin.

"I can't tell you what an honor it is to be standing here today," Atwood said. "To be inducted into the Senior Executive Service and have the opportunity to serve as the DLA Energy deputy commander is truly a special privilege."

Atwood thanked senior leaders, family members, and co-workers for helping him throughout his career, noting there were too many people to mention individually.

"When I look back and think about how I arrived at this point in my career, a large measure of where I am today is the result of the influence and support of many people," he said. "The diversity of the people I have worked with before and those I work with today, no matter their rank or position, have helped shape me into the team member I am today."

Atwood attributed his work ethic to his first job working for his father's plumbing and heating business, where he worked until graduating from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

"I started at the entry level, learning various positions, and worked weekends and summers until I graduated from Vir-



Defense Logistics Agency Director Navy Vice Admiral Mark Harnitchek presents DLA Energy Deputy Commander George Atwood with the Senior Executive Service flag Dec. 10 during his induction ceremony at the McNamara Headquarters Complex.

Photo by Christopher Goulait

ginia Tech," he said. "The work was hard, and there was always a challenge looming on the horizon."

Atwood said that his first job equipped him with key lessons about the importance of relationships, work ethic, and teamwork.

"The experiences [from that job] established a foundation for me to build upon as I entered the next chapter in my career," he said.

A year after graduating from college, Atwood attended a career fair and found out about jobs in the federal government. "I could have continued working for my father, but he encouraged me to step out of my comfort zone and broaden my horizons," he said.

Atwood said he is grateful to the many DLA senior leaders who have encouraged him to do the same.

"My career with DLA Energy has been filled with a lot of amazing opportunities and highly rewarding personal and team accomplishments," Atwood said. "As I begin this new phase in my career, I have no doubt that it will be filled with more excitement and opportunities to affect change in a positive way."

Atwood said teamwork is what has brought him to this point in his career and praised DLA Energy team members.

"My success is your success and where I stand today is in large part based on the outstanding accomplishments of the DLA and the DLA Energy teams," he said. "To the men and women of DLA Energy, I look forward to honoring this commitment, and I am excited to be on your amazing team."

Since joining DLA Energy in 1994, Atwood has held various positions, including director of DLA Energy's Procurement Process Support directorate; deputy director of DLA Energy Supplier Operations; associate director of the DLA Energy Acquisition Policy and Oversight office; deputy director of DLA Energy Europe & Africa in Kaiserslautern, Germany; and various contracting positions with DLA Energy Direct Delivery Fuels.

He is certified in Contracting at Level III under the Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act and is a member of the Defense Acquisition Corps. He holds a Master of Science in national resource strategy and completed the Defense Acquisition University's Senior Acquisition Course from The National Defense University, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy in 2013. Atwood holds a Bachelor of Science in business management from Virginia Tech, where he graduated in 1993.

Senate Confirms Berteau to Logistics Post

ASSOCIATION OF DEFENSE COMMUNITIES (DEC. 18, 2014)

The Senate on Tuesday confirmed David Berteau as assistant secretary of defense for logistics and materiel readi-

ness during an end-of-session vote that confirmed dozens of Obama administration judicial and executive nominees.

Last week, the Senate Armed Services Committee reported Berteau's nomination to the floor favorably following a Dec. 2 hearing in which he stressed the importance of superior logistics.

"The lessons of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq have underscored the importance of logistics, not only for the battlefield but also for the capability provided by the organic elements of the military services as well as the support of the strong industrial base," Berteau said, reported *DoD News*.

Berteau, a frequent speaker at Association of Defense Communities events, served in the Pentagon in a variety of positions during the 1980s and early 1990s. In 1993, he served as the acting assistant secretary of defense for production and logistics, and from 1992 to 1993 he was the chairman for the Defense Conversion Commission.

From 1990 to 1993, he was the principal deputy assistant secretary for production & logistics and in 1989, he served as acting assistant secretary of defense for force management and personnel. Berteau was deputy assistant secretary for resource management and support from 1986 to 1989, and he served in several roles at DoD from 1981 to 1986.

Berteau currently is senior vice president and director of the National Security Program on Industry and Resources at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), a position he has held since 2013. He joined CSIS in 2008.

The assistant secretary for logistics and materiel readiness serves as the principal staff assistant and advisor to the undersecretary of defense for acquisition, technology, and logistics, and other top officials on logistics and materiel readiness. As the assistant secretary, Berteau will oversee policies and procedures for logistics, maintenance, materiel readiness, strategic mobility and sustainment support, including supply, maintenance, and transportation.

DLA Director Retires, Bids Farewell to Agency Workforce

DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY NEWS RELEASE (DEC. 23, 2014)

Sara Moore

With an outpouring of thanks to family, friends, leaders, and subordinates, Navy Vice Adm. Mark Harnitchek bid farewell to the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) as he retired Dec. 19 at the McNamara Headquarters Complex.

"I'm retiring today from a one-of-a-kind, world-class organization that can do anything, the Defense Logistics Agency," Harnitchek said as he ended his 37-year military career. "When the country calls, DLA responds."

Harnitchek, who has been director of DLA since November 2011, said he had many thoughts as he prepared for his retirement, but chief among them was the honor of serving alongside so many men and women who selflessly pledged to serve the nation. The admiral quoted a verse from the Bible, "And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here I am; send me,'" noting that so many people in DLA and around the world have made that commitment when hearing the call to serve the country.

"The folks that take the oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States and obey the orders of the president of the United States and the officers appointed over them, they make that promise without ever having met the president or the officers appointed over them," Harnitchek said. "They make that promise with no guarantees, no caveats and no escape clauses, and no idea of where that promise may take them. That's what I will remember the most, hearing that call to service above the noise of the world, of 'Whom shall I send?' and hearing our sons, our daughters, our neighbors, and our spouses saying, 'Here I am; send me.'"

Alan F. Estevez, principal undersecretary of defense for acquisition, technology and logistics, presided over the ceremony and personally thanked Harnitchek for his years of service. Calling him "a logistician's logistician," Estevez noted that Harnitchek has been at the center of many big events, like the start of performance-based logistics contracts, development of the northern distribution network, Haiti relief efforts, and the fight against Ebola in West Africa.

"In a room full of the best logisticians in the world—not only the best military logisticians, but the best logisticians in the world—Mark is about as good as it gets," Estevez said.

Retired Air Force General Duncan J. McNabb, who served with Harnitchek on the Joint Staff and at U.S. Transportation Command, agreed with Estevez's estimation of the admiral. McNabb recounted his own stories of Harnitchek, who he said "was not afraid of anything" and took challenges such as up-arming Humvees in Iraq, creating the Northern Distribution Network, and cutting costs at DLA head-on without flinching. Although Harnitchek worked for McNabb, the general said Harnitchek mentored him, and repeated some of his "Harnitchek-isms" about leadership and logistics:



Navy Vice Adm. Mark Harnitchek speaks at his retirement ceremony Dec. 19, 2014, in the McNamara Headquarters Complex.

Photo by Teodora Mocanu

“Think big. Just think, this is the problem and there are three to five big things we need to do to fix it, and go do it”;

“Leadership is not for the timid or the risk-averse. There is a difference between calculated risk and being foolhardy”;

“No one knows this stuff better than you do, so start acting like it”; and

“Trust your people and turn them loose. Everyone under me is empowered every day to do great things.”

McNabb also shared testimonials from senior leaders like retired Army Gen. David Petraeus and former DLA Director Navy Vice Adm. Keith Lippert, and from subordinates who have worked for him throughout his military career, all of whom praised Harnitchek’s work ethic and leadership style.

“I will tell you that in my estimation, Mark Harnitchek is the greatest logistics leader I have seen in my time,” McNabb said. “I admire him more than I can ever adequately say.”

For his part, Harnitchek gave credit to McNabb, the other leaders he worked for during his Navy career, and his colleagues and subordinates for his success. He thanked the senior leaders of DLA and the agency workforce for their work keeping the agency running and supporting his efforts.

“To those of you who have not been here before, you are in the halls of the nation’s one and only logistics combat support agency,” Harnitchek said. “The home of Logzilla, a logistics force for good that can leap tall buildings in a single bound; an organization that does hard things in hours and impossible things the next day.”

Harnitchek also had words of gratitude for his international and industry partners, some of whom attended the ceremony, and for his family members, who made up a significant portion of the capacity crowd in the auditorium. The admiral also took time to thank his personal support staff at DLA, the military colleagues he progressed through the ranks with, and his personal friends who traveled to support him at the ceremony.

“Maya Angelou, the great American author, once said, ‘I have learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel,’” Harnitchek said. “And how do I feel? Proud, blessed, and beyond thrilled to have been part of this unforgettable journey with all of you.”

Air Force Lt. Gen. Andrew E. Busch, who was previously vice commander of Air Force Materiel Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, has been confirmed as the next director of DLA.



WASHINGTON, D.C. (Dec. 30, 2014) Sean J. Stackley, assistant secretary of the Navy for research, development and acquisition, joins Rear Adm. Mathias Winter's daughter as they replace his one-star shoulder boards with two-star shoulder boards during a promotion ceremony at the Pentagon. Following the ceremony Rear Adm. Winter relieved Rear Adm. Matthew Klunder as the Chief of Naval Research (CNR).

U.S. Navy photo by John F. Williams

Full Steam Ahead for Navy Science: Winter Comes to ONR

OFFICE OF NAVAL RESEARCH (JAN. 5, 2015)

ARLINGTON, Va.—The Office of Naval Research (ONR) has begun a new era, as Rear Adm. Mathias W. Winter, a decorated aviator with advanced degrees in both computer science and national resource strategy, was sworn in as the chief of naval research (CNR).

Winter officially took the helm of ONR, the organization that leads Navy and Marine Corps research efforts, during a change-of-command held on Dec. 30. The ceremony was held at the Pentagon and officiated by the Honorable Sean Stackley, assistant secretary of the Navy (research, development and acquisition).

"As the next Chief of Naval Research, I look forward to leading the ONR team in stretching the limits of physics and discovering the next generation of breakthrough technologies to ensure a dominant, capable, and relevant naval force for the future," said Winter.

"Our Navy/Marine Corps research enterprise has a rich history of discovering and inventing game-changing technologies that has truly shifted the corpus of human knowledge and enabled our sailors and Marines to retain the decisive

warfighting advantage where it matters, when it matters."

As head of ONR, Winter will oversee the nearly \$2 billion Department of the Navy budget for naval science and technology programs. ONR supports scientific efforts around the world, from basic and conceptual research to applied research and even quick-turnaround technologies requested by sailors and Marines.

Concurrent with the duties of CNR, Winter also will serve as director, Innovation Technology Requirements, and Test and Evaluation (OPNAV-N84).

He relieves Rear Adm. Matthew L. Klunder, who is retiring from the Navy after 32 years of naval service and three years as CNR.

"I'm honored to be given this unique command opportunity as I build upon Rear Adm. Klunder's successes in

bringing together the brightest minds across the Department of the Navy, academia, and industry to solve our toughest technological challenges," he said.

As a flag officer, Winter served as commander, Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division; assistant commander for test and evaluation, Naval Air Systems Command; and Program Executive Officer (PEO) for Unmanned Aviation and Strike Weapons. Highlights of his earlier naval career include flying operational missions as an A6E Intruder bombardier/navigator, chief of staff to the PEO for tactical aircraft performance, and major program manager of the DoN's Precision Strike Weapons portfolio.

He holds a Master's Degree from the Naval Postgraduate School and also from the National Defense University's Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Winter, a native of Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, graduated from Shippensburg Area High School and went on to earn a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering from the University of Notre Dame.

Winter will be the opening speaker at the Naval Future Force Science & Technology EXPO in Washington, D.C. The EXPO,

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to be held Feb. 4–5, also will feature a keynote speech from Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Jonathan Greenert.

On the first day, Winter will join other Department of Defense leaders for a discussion on science and technology priorities. On the second day, he will moderate a discussion on research, development, testing, and evaluation.

For more information about the EXPO, visit: <http://www.onr.navy.mil/expo>.

ONR provides the science and technology necessary to maintain the Navy and Marine Corps' technological advantage. Through its affiliates, ONR is a leader in science and technology with engagement in 50 states, 70 countries, 1,035 institutions of higher learning, and 914 industry partners. ONR employs more than 1,000 people, comprising uniformed, civilian, and contract personnel, with additional employees at the Naval Research Lab in Washington, D.C.

For more news from Office of Naval Research, visit <http://www.navy.mil/local/onr/>.

Announcement of New Tooele Army Depot Leader

ARMY MATERIEL COMMAND (JAN. 8, 2015)

Kathy Anderson

TOOELE ARMY DEPOT, Utah—Army Col. Roger L. McCreery, depot commander, is pleased to announce his selection for the new deputy to the commander.

A change has been made to the leadership team at Tooele Army Depot, Tooele, Utah. Effective Jan. 25, 2015, Keith Siniscalchi will be joining the depot's headquarter staff as the deputy to the commander. Siniscalchi will be responsible for driving the workforce to the next level, building on the solid foundation and momentum achieved by the Tooele Army Depot team under the direction of Gary B. Carney's professional leadership.

Siniscalchi has vast experience establishing new ventures within the directorate of ammunition operations and has done a great job with leading and preparing that organization for future growth and missions. He is to be commended for the significant contributions he has made in setting the right tone, energy, and structure of ammunition operations, and for being a key driver in business development and acquisition for the past six years.

"We welcome his leadership and knowledge of not only this organization, but of the Department of the Defense as well," said McCreery. He will be responsible for working with the Tooele Army Depot workforce of approximately 500

key workers, the Headquarters Joint Munitions Command (JMC), other commands and sister ammunition depots, and also several leaders of private companies the depot has entered into partnerships with.

Keith Siniscalchi served as the Director of Ammunition Operations at Tooele Army Depot, Tooele, Utah, for the past six years. He was responsible for the execution and management of a \$40 million budget and managed a directorate comprised of 225 employees. Previously, he spent three years as the director of ammunition logistics and engineering from 2006–2009, also at Tooele Army Depot. He was responsible for executing a \$60 million budget and managed a directorate of 270 employees.

In addition to conventional ammunition logistics and ammunition peculiar equipment, Siniscalchi has extensive experience in center of technical excellence, quality control, continuous improvement, equal opportunity, public and media relations, marketing, and safety programs.

Siniscalchi's federal service began at Tooele Army Depot, directorate of supply. He transferred to the chemical munitions operations in 1984. In 1991, he was appointed as the Tooele Army Depot transportation officer. He oversaw the application of Army Strategic Mobility Project funds to rebuild the rail system at Tooele Army Depot to improve mission power projection capabilities. Siniscalchi has received several awards: Department of the Army (DA) Meritorious Civilian Service Award for his leadership and accomplishments, DA Superior Civilian Service Award in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, and several Commanders' Awards for Civilian Service. Keith Siniscalchi is also a recipient of the Vice Presidential Hammer Award, initiated by Vice President Al Gore for reinventing government.

General Officer Announcements

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JAN. 8, 2015)

Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel announced today that the president has made the following nominations:

- Air Force Col. Steven J. Bleymaier has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Bleymaier is currently serving as director of staff, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.
- Air Force Col. William T. Cooley has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Cooley is currently serving as senior materiel leader and director, Global Positioning Systems Directorate, Air Force Space Command, Los Angeles Air Force Base, California.

- Air Force Col. Allan E. Day has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Day is currently serving as director, resource integration, Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, Installations and Mission Support, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, District of Columbia.
- Air Force Col. Cameron G. Holt has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Holt is currently serving as director of staff, Air Force Installation Contracting Agency, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.
- Air Force Col. Darren V. James has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. James is currently serving as deputy director, operations and plans, Headquarters U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.
- Air Force Col. Carl E. Schaefer has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Schaefer is currently serving as special assistant to the Secretary of the Air Force and Air Force Chief of Staff for Joint Strike Fighter Integration, Office of the Air Force Chief of Staff, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, District of Columbia.

General Officer Assignments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JAN. 9, 2015)

The chief of staff, Army announced today the following assignment: Maj. Gen. Heidi V. Brown, deputy director, Test and Assessment, Missile Defense Agency, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, to director, Global Operations, J-3, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska.

Busch Assumes Leadership of the Defense Logistics Agency

DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY NEWS RELEASE (JAN. 12, 2015)

Sara Moore

Air Force Lt. Gen. Andrew Busch assumed leadership of the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) as its 18th director Jan. 9 in a ceremony at the McNamara Headquarters Complex.

Busch, who has served two previous tours with DLA, praised the agency's workforce for its "tremendous accomplishments" over the past three years and pledged to do his part to continue and improve upon that excellence in the future.

"I pledge to you that I want to help you become resilient enough to be able to handle and take on everything that comes your way in your personal and professional lives," Busch said. "And I also pledge to you to create a workplace that values you as a team member. That's my pledge to you as we go forward. And from you, I want a commitment that

you're willing to change direction in a few areas and continue the hard work that you've done over the course of your career."

Alan F. Estevez, principal undersecretary of defense for acquisition, technology and logistics, who presided over the ceremony, chronicled highlights of Busch's Air Force career, including his stint as chief of the weapons system readiness teams and executive officer of materiel management at DLA Headquarters from 1995 to 1998 and his time as commander of DLA Aviation, which was then known as Defense Supply Center Richmond (DSCR), from 2007 to 2009. Estevez noted that while at DSCR, Busch made notable gains in customer support, continuous process improvement, and implementation of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure recommendations. In his subsequent assignment as vice commander of Air Force Materiel Command, Busch oversaw a large-scale reorganization that reduced the size of the command and saved more than \$100 million annually for the Air Force, Estevez said.

"He's the right officer at the right time to lead DLA into its future—a superb leader, a consummate professional, an expert logistician, and great friend," Estevez said.

Busch, who said he was thrilled to be back at DLA, traced the origins of his Air Force career to a homework assignment he completed in 1965, when he was 8 years old, in which he wrote that he wanted to be a general when he grew up "because I could sit at a big desk, I could call meetings, and I could see all the jets that I wanted," noting that he had finally arrived at his goal.

In addition to speaking to the DLA workforce, Busch addressed the agency's industry partners, thanking them for their support and flexibility over the years and asking for their continued commitment to achieving cost savings and quality performance. Frank Kendall, the undersecretary of defense for acquisition, technology and logistics, expects all of the Defense Department, including DLA, to continuously improve business processes, Busch said, and the agency's industry partners are critical in achieving those goals.

"That relationship with industry is special, and I know at DLA I play a key role in how the Department of Defense works with you," Busch said. "But I'll tell you that our work is not done."

Busch also thanked his military service and joint teammates for their support in his short time as DLA director and expressed his eagerness to work with them going forward.

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“We do great work together, and we do have some problems to solve, and I know that we will do that,” the general said. “I want to and I will work with you on your priorities.”

Busch assumes leadership of DLA from Navy Vice Adm. Mark Harnitchek, who retired Dec. 19.

Department Announces New Vice Chairs of the Defense Business Board

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JAN. 21, 2015)

The Department of Defense reaffirmed this week that Robert L. “Bobby” Stein will continue his service as the chair of the Defense Business Board (DBB) and announced the appointment of two new vice chairs of the DBB, Nancy Killefer and Dr. Cynthia Trudell.

The vice chairs were selected from the full roster of DBB members based on their outstanding qualifications to help Stein move the DBB forward.

“The reports and perspective provided by the Defense Business Board have been invaluable in improving the business operations of the department,” said Deputy Chief Management Officer David Tillotson III. “I am pleased that Mr. Stein will continue his outstanding service as chairman and that we can welcome two new vice chairs with impeccable business credentials and experience to the DBB.”

Killefer and Trudell will support Stein’s leadership as the DBB addresses some of the most critical challenges facing the department. Killefer, who specializes in market strategies and improving organizational effectiveness, was a senior partner of McKinsey & Company, Inc. Trudell, who specializes in human capital management, is the executive vice president, human resources and chief human resources officer of PepsiCo.

“Ms. Killefer and Dr. Trudell have a proven track record of sound judgment in leading large, complex private sector corporations and have a wealth of top-level, global business experience in the areas of executive management, corporate governance, finance, human resources, compensation, and economics,” said Tillotson.

The DBB was established in 2002 to provide the secretary of defense and other senior department leaders with inde-



Defense Logistics Agency Director Air Force Lt. Gen. Andrew Busch addresses the crowd at his assumption of responsibility ceremony Jan. 9, 2015, at the McNamara Headquarters Complex.

Photo by Teodora Mocanu

pendent advice on private sector best business practices for consideration and potential application to the department’s operations.

More information on the Defense Business Board can be found at <http://dbb.defense.gov/>.

Flag Officer Assignment

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JAN. 23, 2015)

The Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus and Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Jonathan W. Greenert announced today the following assignment: Rear Adm. (lower half) Ron J. MacLaren will be assigned as director, Joint Reserve Forces, J9, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Virginia. MacLaren is currently serving as director, Joint Contingency Acquisition Support Office, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Virginia.