

### Senior Executive Service Appointments/Assignments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (MAY 6, 2009)

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced the following Department of Defense Senior Executive Service appointments/assignments.

- George D. Hinton, principal deputy director, Test Resource Management Center/deputy director, joint investment programs and policy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), Washington, D.C.
- Jean D. Reed, deputy assistant to the secretary of defense for chemical and biological defense/chemical demilitarization, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), Washington, D.C.
- Bradley H. Roberts, deputy assistant secretary of defense for nuclear policy and missile defense, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Washington, D.C.
- Ariane L. Whittemore, program executive officer for executive life cycle management, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington, D.C.

### General Officer Assignments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (MAY 8, 2009)

The Air Force chief of staff announces the assignment of the following general officers:

- Maj. Gen. Kathleen D. Close, commander, Ogden Air Logistics Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Hill Air Force Base, Utah, to director, logistics and sustainment, Headquarters, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.
- Brig. Gen. Andrew E. Busch, who has been selected for the rank of major general, commander, Defense Supply Center Richmond, Defense Logistics Agency, Richmond, Va., to commander, Ogden Air Logistics Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Hill Air Force Base, Utah.

### Nominee Plans to Draw on Lessons from Past Threat Reduction Programs

AMERICAN FORCES PRESS SERVICE (MAY 13, 2009)

Samantha L. Quigley

WASHINGTON—President Barack Obama's nominee to be assistant to the secretary of defense for nuclear, chemical, and biological defense programs said yesterday he agrees with a recent report on future opportunities for the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program.

"It's an excellent report, and I personally endorse all the recommendations," Andrew Weber told the Senate Armed Services Committee regarding the National Academy of Sciences report during his confirmation hearing. "The most im-

portant one is that we take lessons learned from our threat reduction programs in the former Soviet Union and expand them geographically to other areas of the world."

Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates is working on a determination that would allow the use of new authorities given by the committee in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Initially, the focus will be on biological threat reduction programs, Weber said.

It's possible that these programs could be expanded into other parts of the world, such as Southeast Asia and Africa in the future, he said.

"Another recommendation, which I fully endorse, is the need for less bureaucracy and more agility and flexibility as we implement these programs," Weber said. "And, if confirmed for this position, I will oversee the Defense Threat Reduction Agency and will work with that agency on improving the flexibility.

"Secretary Gates has said that a 75 percent solution in months is better than a 100 percent solution in years," he continued, "and I think that will be sort of our guiding mandate as we move forward with these programs."

Weber currently is an advisor for threat reduction policy in the office of the secretary of defense, where he is responsible for initiatives to reduce the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

The former foreign service officer is an adjunct professor at Georgetown University, where he teaches a course on force and diplomacy in the foreign service program. He also holds a master's degree from Georgetown and earned his bachelor's degree at Cornell University.

### General Officer Announcements

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (MAY 15, 2009)

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced today that the President has made the following nominations:

- Air Force Col. Steven J. Arquette has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Arquette is currently serving as the chief, Distribution Division, J-4, Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
- Air Force Col. Howard B. Baker has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Baker is currently serving as the director, logistics, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii.
- Air Force Col. Scott D. Chambers has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Chambers is currently serving as the associate direc-

tor, resource integration, deputy chief of staff, logistics, installations and mission support, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

- Air Force Col. Dwyer L. Dennis has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Dennis is currently serving as the commander, 551st Electronic Systems Wing, Air Force Materiel Command, Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass.
- Air Force Col. James E. Haywood has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Haywood is currently serving as senior military assistant to the assistant secretary of the Air Force (acquisition), Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
- Air Force Col. Lee K. Levy II has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Levy is currently serving as the deputy director, logistics, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.
- Air Force Col. Kenneth J. Moran has been nominated for appointment to the rank of brigadier general. Moran is currently serving as the inspector general, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

### General Officer Assignments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (MAY 22, 2009)

The chief of staff, Air Force announces the assignment of the following general officers:

- Maj. Gen. William N. McCasland, director, Space Acquisition, Office of the Under Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., to director, Special Programs, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
- Brig. Gen. Susan K. Mashiko, who has been selected for the rank of major general, vice commander, Space and Missile Systems Center, Air Force Space Command, Los Angeles Air Force Base, Calif., to director, Space Acquisition, Office of the Under Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

### General Officer Assignment

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (MAY 22, 2009)

The Chief of Staff, Army announces the assignment of the following officer: Maj. Gen. Timothy P. McHale, director, Security Agreement Secretariat, Multi-National Forces-Iraq, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq, to director, Logistics Operations, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va.

### General Officer Announcements

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 1, 2009)

The Army chief of staff, announces the assignment of the following officers:

- Maj. Gen. Raymond V. Mason, commanding general, 8th Theater Sustainment Command/commanding general, U.S. Army Hawaii, Fort Shafter, Hawaii, to deputy chief of staff, G-4, U.S. Army Forces Command, Fort McPherson, Ga.
- Brig. Gen. Christopher Tucker, program manager, Saudi Arabian National Guard Modernization Program, Saudi Arabia, to commanding general, U.S. Army Security Assistance Command, Fort Belvoir, Va.
- Brig. Gen. Frank D. Turner III, deputy commander/chief of staff, U.S. Army Accessions Command, Fort Monroe, Va., to program manager, Saudi Arabian National Guard Modernization Program, Saudi Arabia.

### Senior Executive Service Reassignments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 9, 2009)

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced the following Department of Defense Senior Executive Service, senior leader, and scientific and professional reassignments.

- William Budden will be assigned as deputy commander, Defense Distribution Center, Defense Logistics Agency, New Cumberland, Pa. Budden is currently serving as executive director, base realignment and closure implementation, Defense Logistics Agency, Ft. Belvoir, Va.
- Nancy Heimbaugh is assigned as director, acquisition management, Defense Logistics Agency, Ft. Belvoir, Va. Heimbaugh was formerly the director, contracting and acquisition management, Defense Supply Center Philadelphia, Defense Logistics Agency, Philadelphia, Pa.
- John B. Orem is assigned as director, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Programs Division, Office of the Deputy Director for Strategic and Space Programs, Office of the Director for Program Analysis and Evaluation, Washington, D.C. Orem previously served as principal advisor to director of Naval intelligence for intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance programs, Naval Intelligence Command, Washington, D.C.

### Flag Officer Announcements

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 11, 2009)

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced today that the President has made the following nominations:

- Navy Capt. Richard D. Berkey has been nominated for appointment to the rank of rear admiral (lower half). Berkey is currently serving as commanding officer, Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Va.
- Navy Capt. David H. Lewis has been nominated for appointment to the rank of rear admiral (lower half). Lewis is currently serving as executive assistant to the assistant secretary of the Navy (research, development,

and acquisition), Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development, and Acquisition), Washington, D.C.

- Navy Capt. Randolph L. Mahr has been nominated for appointment to the rank of rear admiral (lower half). Mahr is currently serving as major program manager, PMA 251, Program Executive Office for Tactical Aircraft Programs, Patuxent River, Md.
- Navy Capt. Frank A. Morneau has been nominated for appointment to the rank of rear admiral (lower half). Morneau is currently serving as director, technology and requirements integration, Navy Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization, Washington, D.C.
- Navy Capt. James A. Murdoch has been nominated for appointment to the rank of rear admiral (lower half). Murdoch is currently serving as major program manager for littoral combat ships, Program Executive Office Ships, Washington, D.C.
- Navy Capt. Joseph W. Rixey has been nominated for appointment to the rank of rear admiral (lower half). Rixey is currently serving as deputy program executive officer for Anti-Submarine Warfare Programs, Patuxent River, Md.
- Navy Capt. Thomas G. Wears has been nominated for appointment to the rank of rear admiral (lower half). Wears is currently serving as major program manager for undersea weapons, Program Executive Office Submarines, Washington, D.C.

### Director of National Reconnaissance Office Named

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 12, 2009)

Secretary of Defense Robert Gates, with the concurrence of Director of National Intelligence Dennis Blair, has appointed retired Air Force Gen. Bruce Carlson as the 17th director of the National Reconnaissance Office. Carlson served as commander, Air Force Materiel Command before retiring from active duty on Jan. 1, 2009. His prior assignments include commander, 8th Air Force and Joint Functional Component Commander for Space and Global Strike, U.S. Strategic Command.

### Flag Officer Assignments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 15, 2009)

Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Gary Roughead announced today the following assignments:

- Rear Adm. (lower half) David F. Baucom will be assigned as deputy assistant secretary of the Navy (acquisition management), Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D.C. Baucom is currently serving as assistant deputy director/chief of staff for fleet readiness and training/fleet supply officer, N41, U.S. Fleet Forces Command, Norfolk, Va.

- Rear Adm. (lower half) Mark A. Handley, who has been selected for promotion to rear admiral, will be assigned as commander, First Naval Construction Division/commander, Naval Construction Forces Command, Norfolk, Va. Handley is currently serving as director, Ashore Readiness Division, N46, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations/deputy commander, Navy Installations Command, Washington, D.C.
- Rear Adm. (lower half) Christopher J. Mossey, who has been selected for promotion to rear admiral, will be assigned as director, Ashore Readiness Division, N46, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations/deputy commander, Navy Installations Command, Washington, D.C. Mossey is currently serving as commander Naval Facilities Engineering Command Atlantic, Norfolk, Va.

### General Officer Assignment

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 19, 2009)

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced today that the President has made the following nomination: Army Lt. Gen. Ricky Lynch has been nominated for reappointment to the rank of lieutenant general and assignment as assistant chief of staff for installation management/commanding general, Installation Management Command, U.S. Army, Washington, D.C. Lynch is currently serving as commanding general, III Corps and Fort Hood, Fort Hood, Texas.

### Gates Welcomes Four Senior Pentagon Officials

AMERICAN FORCES PRESS SERVICE (JUNE 22, 2009)

John J. Kruzel

WASHINGTON—Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates today welcomed four high-ranking new arrivals to the Pentagon, hailing them as “welcome additions” to the Defense Department.

The new officials—nominated by President Barack Obama and confirmed by the Senate—will work under Gates in the areas of defense acquisition; congressional affairs; global defense strategy; and nuclear, chemical, and biological programs.

They've been on the job for several weeks, but today's event provided an opportunity for Gates to welcome them formally to the department.

“With a wide range of experience in national security, diplomacy and nuclear deterrence and proliferation issues, and congressional affairs, the four new officials we are honoring today are a welcome addition to the Department of Defense,” Gates told an audience in the Pentagon auditorium. “The Department of Defense is fortunate to have professionals of such talent and experience.”

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## AT&L Workforce—Key Leadership Changes

The new senior officials are:

- Ashton B. Carter, under secretary of defense for acquisition, technology, and logistics. Under the authority of the defense secretary, Carter serves as the principal staff assistant and advisor for all matters relating to the defense acquisition, research, and development; technology developmental testing and evaluation; production; logistics; installation management; military construction; procurement; environmental security; and nuclear, chemical, and biological matters.
- Michael Nacht, assistant secretary of defense for global strategic affairs. Nacht heads a newly configured directorate in the office of the secretary of defense that develops policy for the secretary on countering weapons of mass destruction, nuclear forces and missile defense, cyber security, and space policy.
- Elizabeth L. King, assistant secretary of defense for legislative affairs. King is responsible for providing support to the secretary of defense in his dealings with the White House, Cabinet members, members of Congress, and the State Department. King also serves as liaison and maintains relationships with members of Congress and the executive branch.
- Andrew C. Weber, assistant secretary of defense for nuclear, chemical, and biological programs. In this role, Weber is the principal advisor to the defense secretary, deputy defense secretary, and under secretary of defense for acquisition, technology, and logistics for all matters concerning the formulation of policy and plans for nuclear, chemical, and biological defense programs.

“Our honorees have already begun to settle in and pack their respective portfolios, but I’m glad to have the opportunity today to formally greet them and highlight the experience and talents they bring to this department,” Gates said, adding that he looks forward to working closely with them on critical decisions ahead of the department.

“Let me thank all four of you for accepting positions that will demand hard work and long hours. And again, thanks to your families for loaning you to us,” Gates said. “I know that every decision we make, you will keep in mind our men and women in uniform and how best to help them accomplish their mission and return home safely.”

### USD(AT&L) Announces Establishment of New Offices

In a June 23, 2009, memorandum, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics Ashton B. Carter has directed establishment of the new Office of the Director for Systems Engineering, reporting to AT&L through the Director, Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E). A new Office of the Director for Developmental Test and

Evaluation will also report to AT&L through DDR&E. Gordon Kranz, currently director, Systems and Software Engineering (SSE), will be the acting director, Systems Engineering; and Christopher DiPetto, currently deputy director, SSE, will be acting Ddirector, Developmental Test and Evaluation. These organizational changes are made consistent with Section 102 of the 2009 Weapons System Acquisition Reform Act. Additional information regarding the reorganization will be provided in the near future.

### General Officer Assignment

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 23, 2009)

The Air Force chief of staff announces the assignment of the following general officer: Brig. Gen. (S) Kenneth J. Moran, inspector general, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, to director, Expeditionary Combat Support System Program, Electronic Systems Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

### Senior Executive Service Appointments and Reassignments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 23, 2009)

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced the following Department of Defense Senior Executive Service, senior leader, and scientific and professional appointments and reassignments:

- David S. Eck is assigned as regional director, mid-Atlantic region, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Philadelphia, Pa. Eck previously served as regional director, central region, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Irving, Texas.
- Edward F. Nelson is assigned as regional director, central region, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Irving, Texas. Nelson previously served as regional director, north-eastern region, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Lowell, Mass.
- Ronald C. Meldonian is assigned as regional director, northeastern region, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Lowell, Mass. Meldonian previously served as deputy regional director, northeastern region, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Lowell, Mass.

### Flag Officer Assignments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 1, 2009)

Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Gary Roughead announced today the following assignments:

- Capt. Kurt L. Kunkel, who has been selected for promotion to rear admiral (lower half), will be assigned as chief of staff, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va. Kunkel is currently serving as deputy director for joint logistics, J4, Joint Staff, Washington, D.C.



**AMC Commander Appoints Gerald O'Keefe to Senior Executive Service**  
*ARMY MATERIEL COMMAND PUBLIC AND CONGRESSIONAL AFFAIRS (JUNE 26, 2009)*

Gerald O'Keefe was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in a ceremony June 26 at the U.S. Army Materiel Command headquarters. Army Gen. Ann E. Dunwoody, commanding general, Army Materiel Command, presided over the ceremony. O'Keefe is AMC's deputy G-3/5 for strategy and concepts. Previously, he was the strategic advisor for plans and resources at AMC, after retiring from the active duty Army as a colonel in August 2008.

Photo by Wayne Scanlon

- Capt. Kevin R. Slates, who has been selected for promotion to rear admiral (lower half), will be assigned as commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Atlantic, Norfolk, Va. Slates is currently serving as chief of staff, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Washington, D.C.
- Capt. Jonathan A. Yuen, who has been selected for promotion to rear admiral (lower half), will be assigned as deputy chief of staff for logistics, fleet supply, and ordnance, N4, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Yuen is currently serving as deputy commander/chief of staff, Joint Contracting Command Iraq/Afghanistan.

**DoD Announces New Director of DARPA**

*DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 2, 2009)*

The Department of Defense (DoD) today announced the appointment of Regina E. Dugan as the 19th director of the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). DARPA is the principal agency within the DoD for research, development, and demonstration of concepts, devices, and systems that provide highly advanced military capabilities for the current and future combat force. In this role of developing high-risk, high-payoff projects, DARPA complements

and balances the overall science and technology program of the DoD.

"Regina Dugan is precisely the dynamic leader DARPA needs to open new technology frontiers and transition revolutionary technologies to serve our nation's interests," said Zachary J. Lemnios, director, Defense Research and Engineering. "I am delighted she will be leading this agency and look forward to working closely with her."

Prior to this appointment, Dugan held several key positions in industry, most recently as president and chief executive officer of RedXDefense, LLC, which she co-founded in 2005—a company that develops defense against explosive threats. She has also served in senior executive positions in several additional companies in roles ranging from global sales and marketing to research and product development.

During her first tour at DARPA from January 1996 to May 2000, Dugan received the program manager of the year award for her leadership of the "Dog's Nose Program," which was focused on the development of an advanced, field-portable system for detecting the explosive content of land mines. She is also the recipient of the deFleury Medal,

the office of the secretary of defense award for exceptional service, and the award for outstanding achievement. She has participated in wide-ranging studies for the Defense Science Board, the Army Science Board, the National Research Council and Science Foundation, and currently sits on the Naval Research Advisory Committee and the Defense Threat Reduction Agency Science and Technology Panel.

Dugan earned her doctorate in mechanical engineering from the California Institute of Technology and her master's and bachelor's degrees from Virginia Tech. She is the co-author of *Engineering Thermodynamics*, 1996, sole inventor on one issued patent, and inventor or co-inventor on nine additional patents pending.

Additional information on DARPA is provided at <[www.darpa.mil](http://www.darpa.mil)>.

### Flag Officer Assignment

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 2, 2009)

Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Gary Roughead announced today the following assignment: Rear Adm. (lower half) Paul A. Grosklags will be assigned as vice commander, Naval Air Systems Command, Patuxent River, Md. Grosklags is currently serving as commander, Fleet Readiness Centers, Patuxent River, Md.

### Defense Science Board Appointments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 6, 2009)

The Department of Defense today announced the appointments of Dr. Paul Kaminski as chairman of the Defense Science Board for a term effective immediately through Dec. 31, 2011, and retired Air Force Gen. Lester Lyles as vice chairman for a term effective immediately through Dec. 31, 2010.

Kaminski is chairman and chief executive officer of Technovation, Inc., as well as chairman of the RAND Corporation Board of Trustees. His previous government experience includes service as the under secretary of defense for acquisition and technology from October 1994 to May 1997. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, a Fellow of the Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and a Fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. He was awarded the National Medal of Technology in 2006.

Lyles is currently an independent consultant. He served as the 27th vice chief of staff of the United States Air Force from 1999 to 2000 and as commander of Air Force Materiel Command from April 2000 to August 2003.

The Defense Science Board is the senior advisory body in the Department of Defense. It is composed of members appointed from the private sector, and advises the secretary of defense, the deputy secretary of defense, the chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, and the under secretary of defense for acquisition, technology, and logistics on scientific, technical, manufacturing, and other matters of special importance to the department.

### Air Force Announcement

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 7, 2009)

The chief of staff, Air Force announces the assignment of the following general officer: Brig. Gen. James E. Haywood, senior military assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., to director, Plans and Requirements, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.

### Brig. Gen. Busch Assumes Command of Ogden Air Logistics Center

AIR FORCE MATERIEL COMMAND NEWS RELEASE (JULY 9, 2009)

Lee Anne Hensley

HILL AIR FORCE BASE, Utah—Maj. Gen. Kathleen D. Close relinquished command of the Ogden Air Logistics Center to Brig. Gen. Andrew E. Busch last week.

Prior to relieving Close of her command of the OO-ALC, Air Force Materiel Command Commander Gen. Don Hoffman highlighted the accomplishments Close experienced in her tenure.

"Her focus on the nuclear enterprise ensured that the most important job of our defense department and the protection of our country and the nuclear deterrent of our country were properly sustained. She has jumped into the increasingly difficult task of geriatric sustainment of aircraft ... Through the hard work of this depot and the leadership of General Close, we are fully ready to do the mission that we have today," he said.

Close is now the director of Logistics and Sustainment at Headquarters, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

Hoffman will command both Close and Busch, and he expressed his confidence in Close's next-in-command. "We have another great commander coming in behind General Close. Andy Busch has the perfect set of experiences," he said.

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## AT&L Workforce—Key Leadership Changes

Busch comes to Hill Air Force Base from Richmond, Va., where he was the commander of the Defense Supply Center Richmond. Busch also has experience in aircraft maintenance at the acquisition level and has been assigned to all three Air Force Air Logistics Centers, including a previous assignment to the OO-ALC from 1998 until 2000. At that time, Busch served as the center's deputy director for Logistics Management and director for Workload Transfer. Now as commander, Busch will be responsible for the center's four wings: the 75th Air Base Wing, 309th Maintenance Wing, 508th Aerospace Sustainment Wing, and the 84th Combat Sustainment Wing, which is currently commanded by the 508th ASW.

*Hensley is on the staff of the Hilltop Times, Hill AFB, Utah.*

### Senior Executive Service Appointments and Reassignments

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 15, 2009)

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced the following Department of Defense Senior Executive Service appointments:

- Nancy J. Harned has been appointed to the Senior Executive Service and is assigned as director, engineering, prototyping, and technology integration, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Washington, D.C. Harned previously served as deputy director, programming division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Arlington, Va.
- Dorothy Robyn has been appointed to the Senior Executive Service and is assigned as deputy under secretary of defense (installations and environment), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Washington, D.C. Robyn previously served with The Brattle Groups, Washington, D.C.

### Flag Officer Assignment

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 15, 2009)

Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Gary Roughead announced today the following assignment: Rear Adm. (lower half) Joseph A. Horn will be assigned as program director, AEGIS Ballistic Missile Defense, Missile Defense Agency, Dahlgren, Va. Horn is currently serving as deputy director, Missile Defense Agency, Washington, D.C.

### General Officer Assignment

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 16, 2009)

The Army chief of staff announces the assignment of the following officer: Brig. Gen. Gustave F. Perna, commander, Defense Supply Center Philadelphia, Defense Logistics Agency, Philadelphia, Pa., to director, CJ-1/4/8, Sustainment, Multi-National Force-Iraq, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq.

### Logistics Modernization Director Remembers Roots

ARMY NEWS SERVICE (JULY 16, 2009)



Artro Whitman became AMCOM's director for the Logistics Modernization Program at the end of June.

Photo by Kelley Lane-Sivley

*Kelley Lane-Sivley*

Artro Whitman has been talking about logistics modernization for a long time. After 10 years of telling others what was to come, he has the pleasure of helping to write the next chapter of the Logistics Modernization Program as its new director.

"I was a change agent for LMP back in 1999," he said. "A change agent is an individual who talks to people about what LMP is about, trying to get the community aware of what is going to take place. Primarily we were trying to make the command aware of the change that was coming and how it was going to impact them. It started the framework ... I've been working this a long time."

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Whitman stepped into his new position at the end of June. He previously was the director for Materiel and Supply Chain Management at Aviation and Missile Command Integrated Materiel Management Center before making the move to LMP to succeed the departing Cathy Dickens.

Whitman has a long history at Redstone. He has spent more than 30 years working on post. The bulk of that time was spent at IMMC, with a brief hiatus during the time he worked with the creation of a new office.

“Of the 31 years I’ve spent with the government, 28 of those have been with the IMMC,” he said. “There was a short break there for two or three years when I went to set up the Lean office [from 2001-03]. Shortly after that I returned.”

His government career began a few years after college. Whitman had graduated from the University of Alabama-Huntsville in 1976 with a bachelor’s in sociology. While his planned path would have taken him in another direction, the practicalities of the real world intervened.

“I thought I wanted to be a lawyer,” he said. “But I was married and I needed to get a job. I was in the Air Force for a while. Then I went to work for TVA [Tennessee Valley Authority]. I worked at the Brown’s Ferry Nuclear Plant. Then I took a job at Redstone in Finance.”

Whitman worked as a voucher examiner before transferring to IMMC through a training program. Now, having spent so long in IMMC, Whitman knows the day-to-day business of the LMP’s applications and the people who use them.

“Most of the functions and processes, especially the business areas, are worked in that [IMMC] directorate,” he said. “I have a vested interest in seeing that the plan is in place so that the customers can make the transition to be able to do the things they’re required to do.”

The dedication of Team Redstone in the implementation of LMP and their dedication to training have impressed him.

“Going through this transition has really showed the professionalism of the people in this command,” he said. “If you asked me a year ago I would have said I was very concerned about how some of our seasoned people would receive this new system. But they’ve been very receptive ... As we continue to find all of the advantages to using this new system, I think it will make us better managers who can better support our soldiers. It’s really bringing us into the 21st century.”

*Lane-Sivley writes for the Redstone Rocket staff at Redstone Arsenal, Ala.*

### **DARPA Announces New Deputy Director**

DEFENSE ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY NEWS RELEASE (JULY 24, 2009)

The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency announced Dr. Kaigham “Ken” Gabriel as the agency’s new deputy director, effective July 21, 2009.

“The nation and DARPA will be well served with Ken Gabriel as deputy director. His rare blending of experience in the private sector together with his past experience as a DARPA program manager and office director combine to make him a tremendous asset,” said DARPA Director Dr. Regina E. Dugan.

Gabriel was most recently at Akustica, a fabless semiconductor company commercializing micro electro-mechanical systems (MEMS) sensors for consumer electronics products, where he was its founder, chairman, and chief technology officer.

From 1992 to 1997, Gabriel served at DARPA, first to start the agency’s MEMS program, and was then promoted to director of the Electronics Technology Office (1996-1997), where he was responsible for the agency’s electronics technology programs including advanced lithography, electronics packaging, MEMS, optoelectronics, millimeter and microwave integrated circuits, and high-definition displays.

Prior to his government service, Gabriel was at AT&T Bell Labs in the Robotic Systems Research Department, was a visiting associate professor at the Institute of Industrial Science, University of Tokyo in Japan, and spent a year as a visiting scientist at the Naval Research Laboratory.

In 2003, Gabriel was named a Technology Pioneer by the World Economic Forum at Davos, one of 40 selected worldwide. He is also the co-founding executive director of the MEMS Industry Group, the principal trade organization representing the MEMS industry globally.

Gabriel holds an S.M. and a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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