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## President Clinton Names David R. Oliver, Jr. As Principal Deputy Under Secretary Of Defense For Acquisition And Technology

The President today announced his intent to nominate David R. Oliver, Jr., as Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology. David R. Oliver, Jr., of Idaho, is currently Director of Business Development and Technology for Naval Systems, Northrop Grumann Electronic Sensors and Systems Division, where he has been for almost a year. From 1995 to 1996, he was Director of the ICR Program and Manager for Analysis and Evaluation [for] Westinghouse Electronic Systems Group. In 1995, he retired from the U.S. Navy with the rank of Rear Admiral (Upper Half). His last assignment was as the Principal Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisition, where he served in both policymaking and line officer positions, including serving as the Commander of all Attack Submarines on the West Coast at one point, and Chief of Staff at the Seventh Fleet in another assignment.

Oliver received his B.S. from the United States Naval Academy in Marine Engineering, and his M.A. from American University in Political Science and International Affairs.

The Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology serves as the second ranking acquisition official for the Department of Defense. The Office of the Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology advises the Secretary of Defense on all matters relating to the Defense acquisition process.

**Editor's Note:** Oliver's nomination now goes before the U.S. Senate for confirmation. This information is in the public domain and may be accessed at <http://library/whitehouse.gov/PressReleases> on the World Wide Web.