

### **STACKLEY CONFIRMED BY SENATE—ASSUMES DUTIES AS NAVY'S TOP ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE**

Sean J. Stackley has assumed the duties of assistant secretary of the Navy for research, development and acquisition following his confirmation by the Senate in 2008. As the Navy's ASN(RDA), Stackley is responsible for the research, development, and acquisition of Navy and Marine Corps platforms and warfare systems, which includes oversight of more than 100,000 people and an annual budget in excess of \$50 billion.

Prior to his appointment as ASN(RDA), Stackley served as a professional staff member of the Senate Armed Services Committee. During his tenure with the committee, he was responsible for overseeing Navy and Marine Corps programs, U.S. Transportation Command matters, and related policy for the Seapower Subcommittee. He also advised on Navy and Marine Corps operations and maintenance, science and technology, and acquisition policy.

Stackley began his career as a Navy Surface Warfare Officer, serving in Engineering and Combat Systems assignments aboard *USS John Young* (DD 973). Upon completing his warfare qualifications, he was designated as an engineering duty officer and served in a series of industrial, fleet, program office, and headquarters assignments in ship design and construction, maintenance, logistics, and acquisition policy.

From 2001 to 2005, Stackley served as the Navy's LPD 17 program manager, with responsibility for all aspects of procurement for this major ship program. Having served earlier in his career as production officer for the *USS Arleigh Burke* (DDG 51) and project Naval architect overseeing structural design for the Canadian Patrol Frigate, HMCS Halifax (FFH 330), he had the unique experience of having performed a principal role in the design, construction, test, and delivery of three first-of-class warships.

Stackley was commissioned and graduated with distinction from the United States Naval Academy in 1979 with a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering. He holds the degrees of ocean engineer and master of science, mechanical engineering, from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Stackley earned certification as a Commonwealth of Virginia professional engineer in 1994.

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### **New Leader Takes Reins of U.S. Transportation Command**

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WASHINGTON—The U.S. military command responsible for moving troops and materiel across the globe came under new leadership Sept. 5. In a change-of-command ceremony, **Air Force Gen. Duncan J. McNabb** took the reins of U.S. Transportation Command, an infrastructure that has carried out 100,000 airlift missions and transported 5 million passengers during operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

McNabb replaces Gen. Norton A. Schwartz, who left the command to become the Air Force's acting chief of staff last month.

"When [Schwartz] said, 'A promise made is a promise kept,' it [became] the foundation of the command," McNabb told reporters today, referring to his predecessor's guiding principle. "[The command] has built up over time, and what we want to do is make sure we keep that momentum."

Inside a massive airplane hangar, hundreds watched a symbolic tradition as Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates handed McNabb the TRANSCOM flag, which features a winged seahorse—an image that reflects the command's air, sea, and land capabilities.

"With all these moving parts, and with the critical importance of every single mission, there is no doubt that this command requires a special kind of leader—one who can maintain a focus on details within the context of massive and myriad operations," Gates said. "General McNabb is the right man for this job."

The promotions of McNabb and Schwartz come in the wake of recent turbulence in the Air Force. The Service's acquisition process came under fire in June when a congressional investigation found flaws related to a \$35 billion contract for refueling tankers.

Two earlier incidents committed by the Air Force sparked international concerns—one involving the erroneous shipment of nuclear missile trigger components to Taiwan, and another in which a B-52 bomber flew across the United States carrying six armed nuclear cruise missiles.

By accepting their respective appointments, McNabb and Schwartz are helping the Air Force "move forward," said Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Navy Adm. Mike Mullen. "[It] will continue to remind us that our Air Force is the best Air Force in the history of the world."

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The admiral said he endorses the latter part of an old maxim that says, “Amateurs worry about strategy, dilettantes worry about tactics, but professionals worry about logistics.”

“All of us who have participated in these operations for the last six-plus years, have only been able to do that and accomplish our mission because of this command, and the so many tens of thousands of people who make those operations possible,” he added.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(SEPT. 8, 2008)

### General Officer Announcement

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced today that the President has made the following nomination: **Army Reserve Col. Margaret W. Boor** has been nominated for appointment to the grade of brigadier general and assignment as mobilization assistant to the deputy director, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va. Boor is currently serving as chief of staff (Troop Program Unit), 81<sup>st</sup> Regional Readiness Command, Birmingham, Ala.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(SEPT. 10, 2008)

### Flag Officer Assignments

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

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Patrick H. Brady** is being assigned as deputy commander for undersea warfare, SEA-07, Naval Sea Systems Command, Washington, D.C. Brady is currently serving as commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Washington, D.C.

**Capt. David C. Johnson**, who has been selected to the rank of Rear Adm. (lower half), is being assigned as commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Washington, D.C. and will continue to serve as deputy commander for undersea technology, SEA-073, Naval Sea Systems Command, Washington, D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(SEPT. 16, 2008)

### Flag Officer Announcement

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced today that the President has nominated **Navy Rear Adm. Alan S. Thompson** for appointment to the grade of vice admiral and assignment as director, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va. Thompson is currently serving as commander, Naval Supply Systems Command and chief of Supply Corps, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(SEPT. 17, 2008)

### Flag Officer Assignment

Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Gary Roughead announced today the following assignment: **Rear Adm. Michael J. Lyden** is being assigned as commander, Naval Supply Systems Command/chief of Supply Corps, Mechanicsburg, Pa. Lyden is currently serving as director, Supply, Ordnance and Logistics Operations Division, N41, Officer of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(SEPT. 22, 2008)

### General Officer Announcement

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced today that the President has made the following nomination: **Army Maj. Gen. James H. Pillsbury** for appointment to the rank of lieutenant general and assignment as deputy commanding general/chief of staff, U.S. Army Materiel Command, Fort Belvoir, Va. Pillsbury is currently serving as deputy chief of staff for logistics and operations, U.S. Army Materiel Command, Fort Belvoir, Va.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(SEPT. 26, 2008)

### General Officer Assignment

The Air Force chief of staff announces the assignment of the following general officer: **Maj. Gen. Frederick F. Roggero**, director, Air, Space and Information Operations, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill., to chief of safety, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.; and commander, Air Force Safety Center, Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(OCT. 3, 2008)

### General Officer Assignments

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

**Maj. Gen. Gary T. McCoy**, director, logistics readiness, deputy chief of staff, logistics, installations and mission support, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., to commander, Air Force Global Logistics Support Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

**Maj. Gen. Robert H. McMahan**, director, maintenance, deputy chief of staff, logistics, installations and mission support, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., to director, logistics, deputy chief of staff, logistics, installations and mission support, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

### **GORDON M. KRANZ APPOINTED DIRECTOR, SYSTEMS AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING (OCT. 14, 2008)**

Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics John J. Young Jr., appointed **Gordon M. Kranz** the new director, systems and software engineering, effective Oct. 14, 2008. In this role, Kranz is responsible for formulating systems engineering policy and guidance, developmental test and evaluation policy, program assessments and support, and weapons systems software policy. Kranz comes to the office of the secretary of defense from General Dynamics. He has a proven management and technical leadership track record of success on a long list of DoD programs with the Army, Air Force, and Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. He has served the nation previously as an Air Force officer and brings in-depth expertise in DoD acquisition, technology, and logistics to his new position.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(OCT. 14, 2008)

#### **General Officer Assignments**

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

**Maj. Gen. Paul S. Izzo**, deputy for acquisition and systems management, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), Washington, D.C., to commanding general, U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

**Brig. Gen. Peter N. Fuller**, deputy commander for systems of systems integration, U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, Fort Belvoir, Va., to program executive officer, soldier/commanding general, Soldier Systems Center, Fort Belvoir, Va.

**Brig. Gen. Robert M. Brown**, program executive officer, soldier/commanding general, Soldier Systems Center, Fort Belvoir, Va., to deputy for acquisition and systems management, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), Washington, D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(OCT. 17, 2008)

#### **Flag Officer Assignment**

The Naval Operations Chief announces the assignments of the following flag officer: **Rear Adm. Raymond P. English** is being assigned as director, Joint Reserve Forces, J9, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va. English is currently serving as deputy director of operations, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(OCT. 27, 2008)

#### **General Officer Assignments**

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

**Maj. Gen. John R. Bartley**, program executive officer, Combat Support and Combat Service Support, Warren, Mich., to program manager, Future Combat System (brigade combat team).

**Brig. Gen. William T. Crosby**, deputy program executive officer, aviation, Redstone Arsenal, Ala., to program executive officer, aviation, Redstone Arsenal, Ala..

**Brig. Gen. Robert D. Ogg Jr.**, deputy program manager, Future Combat Systems Brigade Combat Team, Program Integration (Platforms), Warren, Mich., to program executive officer, Ground Combat Systems, Warren, Mich.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE  
(OCT. 30, 2008)

#### **Flag Officer Assignments**

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

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Nevin P. Carr Jr.** is being assigned as chief of naval research/director, test and evaluation and technology requirements, N091, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C. Carr is currently serving as director, Navy International Programs Office, Office of the Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D.C.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Charles M. Lilli** is being assigned as director, Supply, Ordnance and Logistics Operations Division, N41, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C. Lilli is currently serving as director of logistics and engineering, J4, U.S. Northern Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Charles E. Smith** is being assigned as program executive officer, enterprise information systems, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development, and Acquisition), Washington, D.C. Smith is currently serving as vice commander, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command, Norfolk, Va.

**Rear Adm. (lower half) Stephen S. Voetsch** is being assigned as director, Navy International Programs Office, Office of the Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D.C. Voetsch is currently serving as commander, Operational Test and Evaluation Force, Norfolk, Va.