
DSCA Welcomes New Deputy Director

[The following is from a news release from the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Washington, DC.]

The Director of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency recently welcomed a new Deputy Director to its Headquarters in Arlington, VA.

Beth M. McCormick, a member of the Senior Executive Service and formerly the Acting Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, Technology Security Policy and National Disclosure Policy and the Acting Director, Defense Technology Security Administration, will fill the position left vacant by Richard Millies, who retired after more than 30 years of Federal service.

In her current position, she is the Director's principal assistant in managing a professional security cooperation work force of military and civilian personnel located around the world. She provides leadership, management, and oversight for the implementation of a diverse portfolio of security cooperation and partner capacity building programs including: Foreign Military Sales (FMS), Foreign Military Financing (FMF), International Military Education and Training (IMET), End Use Monitoring (EUM) and Humanitarian Assistance, Disaster Relief, and Mine Action.



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McCormick began her career in government service in 1983 as a Presidential Management Intern with the Office of the Secretary of Defense. She became an Assistant for Strategic Defense and Space Arms Control Policy in 1985, where her primary responsibility was support to the Defense and Space Negotiations in Geneva, Switzerland. From July 1994 to October 2001, she served in several executive positions with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, including Director of International Relations and Deputy Associate Administrator for Life and Microgravity Sciences. In November 2001 she returned to the Defense Department as the Director of Policy, U.S. Air Force International Affairs, a position she held until January 2005. Following her tour with the U.S. Air Force, she reported as Deputy Director of the Defense Technology Security Administration. She assumed the position of Director in August 2005 and that October was appointed as the Acting Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Technology Security Policy and National Disclosure Policy.

Mrs. McCormick received her B.A. from Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania in Political Science, Russian and Soviet Area Studies in 1981. She received her M.A. in Security Policy Studies from George Washington University in 1983. She has received several awards for her exemplary Federal service including the Meritorious Presidential Rank Award, Secretary of Defense Medal for Meritorious Civilian Service, the NASA Exceptional Service Medal, the Air Force Medal for Exceptional Civilian Service, and the Department of State Superior Honor Award.