



Mr. Michael E. Kennedy
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Mr. Kennedy assumed his duties as the Director of Operations, Intelink Enterprise Collaboration Center, Director of National Intelligence and IC CIO in July 2008. Born in Biloxi, Mississippi and raised in New Orleans, Louisiana, Mr. Kennedy graduated from the Marine Military Academy in Harlingen, Texas. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1979. 11 years on active duty, he earned qualifications as a Surface Warfare Officer and Naval Aviator, and a subspecialty in Computer Technology & Science. Following active duty, Mr. Kennedy had 19 years in the Navy Reserve as an Intelligence Officer. He had several extended active duty, mobilization, and command tours, culminating as the Commander of Reserve Intelligence Area Midwest followed by retirement in June 2009.

As his last active duty assignment, Mr. Kennedy reported to the Navy Regional Data Automation Center, New Orleans, Louisiana in 1987. While there he designed the Navy's first "Lights Out Data Center" in 1988. He helped design, and get approval from the Major Automated Information System Review Council (MAISRC) for, the Navy's most powerful computer center in early 1989. The Primary Oceanographic Prediction System (POPS) was a Class VII Supercomputer located jointly at the Naval Oceanographic Office (NAVOCEANO), Stennis Space Center, Mississippi, and Fleet Numerical Meteorological Center, Monterey, California.

Leaving active duty in late 1989, Mr. Kennedy took over as head of customer support and deputy Contracting Officer Technical Representative for the Major Shared Resource Center at the NAVOCEANO. In 1992, he became the deputy communications division chief responsible for aircraft, ships, and worldwide networks. In March 1995, he reported to the Headquarters, United States Central Command as the head of the Department of Defense Intelligence Information Systems (DoDIIS), System Integration Management Office for the command. He also served on the Commander In Chief's Year 2000 Task Force as director of contingency planning and intelligence community systems testing. Mr. Kennedy reported to the Headquarters, United States Southern Command in February 2000. There he assumed duties as the Chief of J2 Systems Division, responsible to the Director of Intelligence as the J2 Chief Information Officer (CIO). In April 2003, Mr. Kennedy transferred to the National Air and Space Intelligence Center where he assumed duties as Chief; Plans, Policy, & Resources Division; Communications & Information Directorate until April 2004 when he took over as the Chief of the Networks and Operations Division. In April 2006 he was appointed as a Senior National Intelligence Service Officer and assumed duties as the Chief of Information and Technology for the Director of National Intelligence until taking over his current position.

Mr. Kennedy is a Joint Duty qualified Intelligence Professional as awarded by the Director of National Intelligence. He is a graduate of the Navy Business Executive Course from UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School, and Intelligence Community Senior Leadership Program from the National Intelligence University. His civilian personal awards include the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal (2), the Chairman Joint Chiefs Civilian Joint Service Commendation Medal, and the Army Commander's Medal for Civilian Service.

Mr. Kennedy's military personal awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (3), Joint Service Commendation Medal (2), Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, and Navy Achievement Medal (3).

Mr. Kennedy is married to the former Maria del Socorro (Coco) Arellano Aranda, of Monterrey, Mexico. They have one daughter, Ensign Veronica Kennedy, USN; stationed in Sasebo, Japan aboard USS Tortuga, LSD 46. Mike and Coco reside in Annapolis, Maryland.