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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Announcement of the 2021 Defense Acquisition Workforce Award Winners

It is with great pleasure that I announce the winners of the 2021 Defense Acquisition Workforce Awards in the following categories:

Individual Achievement Award Winners

Acquisition in an Expeditionary Environment

Lieutenant Colonel Lee A. White, U.S. Special Operations Command

Auditing

Mr. Walter Hicks, Defense Contract Audit Agency

Contracting and Procurement

Ms. Shanda Lyman, USTRANSCOM

Cost Estimating

Mr. Shenendoah Hoefflerle, Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, U.S. Air Force

Earned Value Management

Mr. Ivan L. Bembers, Business Plans and Operations Directorate/Cost and Acquisition Assessment Group, National Reconnaissance Office

Engineering

Mr. Lance C. Miller, Signals Intelligence Systems Acquisition Directorate, National Reconnaissance Office

Facilities Engineering

Ms. Amy Hoffer, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, U.S. Navy

Financial Management

Ms. Samantha Bell, Department of the Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, U.S. Air Force

Information Technology

Captain Mohammad U. Ashraf, Space and Missiles Command Center, U.S. Space Force

International Partnership

Mr. Joe D. Munger, Air Force Materiel Command, U.S. Air Force

Life Cycle Logistics

Ms. Julie A. Glaser, Air Force Materiel Command, U.S. Air Force

Production, Quality, and Manufacturing

Mr. Terry Hirst, Rock Island Arsenal Joint Manufacturing and Technology Center, U.S. Army

Program Management

Lieutenant Colonel John T. Nuckols, JPEO for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Defense, U.S. Army

Requirements Management

Mr. Monte Cox, U.S. Air Force

Science and Technology Manager

Dr. Kevin Wingerd, JPEO for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Defense, U.S. Army

Services Acquisition

Ms. Amy L. Medlin, Special Operations Forces Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, USSOCOM

Small Business

Ms. Denise S. Baylor, Air Force Materiel Command, U.S. Air Force

Software

Major Luke Leininger, HQ U.S. Special Operations Command, USSOCOM

Test and Evaluation

Lieutenant Colonel Ephane Dubose, U.S. Special Operations Command, U.S. Air Force

Software Innovation Team Award Winner

Mission Command System/Common Operating Picture (MCS/COP), U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, FL

Flexibility in Contracting Award Winner

JPEO for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Defense, U.S. Army, Edgewood, MD

Workforce Development Innovation Award Winner (Large Organization)

U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command, Software Engineering Center, APG, MD

Workforce Development Innovation Award Winner (Small Organization)

United States Special Operations Command Special Operations Forces Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, MacDill AFB, FL

David Packard Excellence in Acquisition Award Winners

U.S. Army, Applied Cyber Technologies Team, PEO EIS, Fort Belvoir, VA

U.S. Navy, COLUMBIA Program PMS 397, Washington, DC

U.S. Air Force, COVID-19 USTRANSCOM JUON TC-0003 Response Team, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD

U.S. Army, Operation Warp Speed and the JPEO CBRND Medical Repurposing Team, Warren, MI

U.S. Air Force, Three-Dimensional Expeditionary Long-Range Radar (3DELRR), Hanscomb AFB, MA

Congratulations to our winners for their exemplary accomplishments. Winners will be announced through Defense News. I also look forward to recognizing each in the December 2021 virtual recognition ceremony. The Defense Acquisition University Office of Human Capital Initiatives will follow-up with components and winners with additional ceremony details.

It is important that we continue to recognize the outstanding contributions of our Defense acquisition professionals who are critical in supporting our military and defending the nation.

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