RETIREMENT CEREMONY

in Honor of

Mr. Anthony S. Montemarano

**EXECUTIVE DEPUTY DIRECTOR
DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY**

Hosted by

Vice Admiral Nancy A. Norton, USN

**DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY
COMMANDER, JOINT FORCE HEADQUARTERS–DOD INFORMATION NETWORK**

1000 HRS ON DECEMBER 11, 2020

Sequence of Events

WELCOMING REMARKS

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Jennifer Augustine and Chaneese Martin

INVOCATION
Chaplain David V. Green, Col., U.S. Army

REMARKS
Vice Adm. Nancy A. Norton, U.S. Navy

SPECIAL MESSAGES
Honorable Dana Deasy,
Department of Defense Chief Information Officer

Lt. Gen. Harry Raduege, U.S. Air Force, Retired
Mr. David Bennett, Operations Center Director
Mr. David Mihelcic, Senior Executive Service, Retired

RETIREMENT RECOGNITION
Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Civilian Service Award
Exceptional Civilian Service Award
Retirement Certificate
DISA Spouse Certificate of Appreciation
Director's 3-Star Note
Assistant to the Director's 2-Star Note
U.S. Flag and Certificates Presentation
DISA Plaque Presentation
Framed Courthouse Road Picture Presentation
Senior Leadership Gift
Component Acquisition Executive Gift
Executive Deputy Director's Staff Gift (Vicki Rutland-Hales)

REMARKS
Mr. Tony Montemarano, Senior Executive Service, Retired

CLOSING NARRATION

Vice Admiral Nancy A. Norton, USN

DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY
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Vice Admiral Nancy A. Norton is the director of the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) and the commander of the Joint Force Headquarters-Department of Defense Information Network (JFHQ-DODIN).

As the DISA director, Vice Adm. Norton manages a global network and leads more than 19,000 military, civilian and contractor personnel who plan, develop, deliver, and operate joint, interoperable command and control capabilities and defend an enterprise infrastructure in more than 42 countries. This mission directly supports the president, secretary of defense, Joint Chiefs of Staff, combatant commanders, Department of Defense components, and other mission partners across the spectrum of combat and combat support operations.
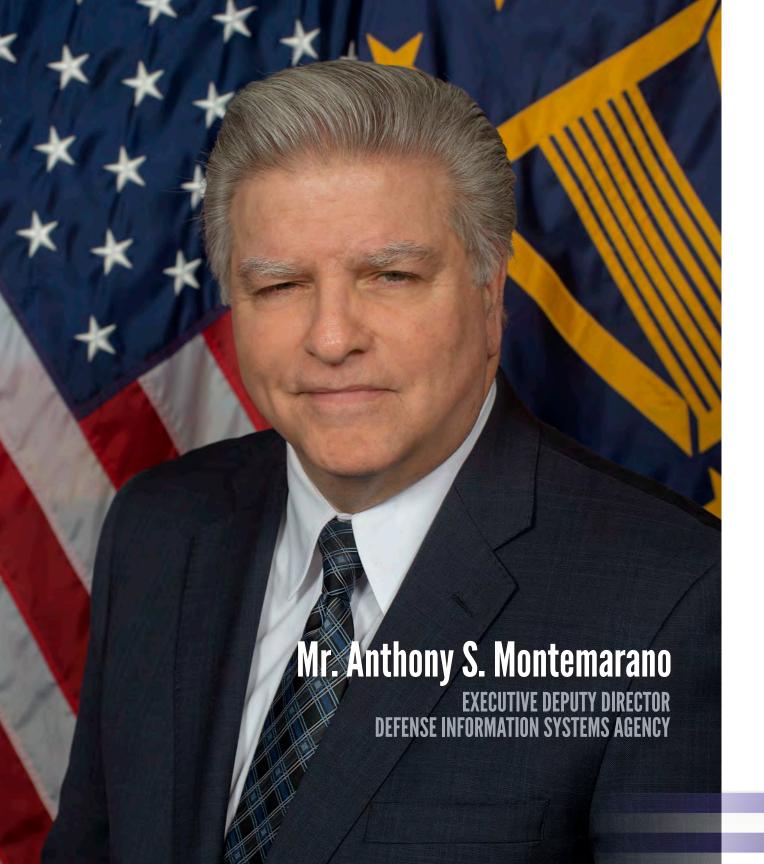
As the commander of Joint Force Headquarters-Department of Defense Information Network, Vice Adm. Norton is charged with the direction and synchronization of defensive cyberspace activities, providing unity of command and unity of effort across the Department of Defense. She is responsible for organizing, training, and equipping the military and civilian staff who secure, operate, and defend the DoDIN.

Vice Adm. Norton, a native of Oregon, graduated from Portland State University with a bachelor's degree in general science. She was commissioned in 1987 through the Navy Officer Candidate School. She holds master's degrees in computer science from the Naval Postgraduate School, and in national security and strategic studies from the Naval War College, where she was the President's Honor Graduate. She served as a fellow on the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Strategic Studies Group XXXII.

Vice Adm. Norton has served in information warfare billets at all levels, afloat and ashore. Her assignments include Naval Communications Stations in Hawaii and Nevada, as well as command in Bahrain. She developed cybersecurity programs on the staffs of U.S. Pacific Command and Pacific Fleet. She directed communications for Cruiser Destroyer Group 12 aboard the USS Enterprise and for the U.S. 6th Fleet and Naval Forces Europe. She served as the director of Command, Control, Communications and Cyber, U.S. Pacific Command. She also served multiple tours for the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, including as the director of Warfare Integration for Information Warfare.

Prior to her current assignment, Vice Adm. Norton was the DISA vice director.

Vice Adm. Norton's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal and Meritorious Service Medal, Navy League Award, Young AFCEAN Award, Copernicus Award, and the National Security Agency's Frank B. Rowlett Award for Personal Achievement in Information Security.

Mr. Anthony S. Montemarano

EXECUTIVE DEPUTY DIRECTOR
DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY

Anthony (Tony) Montemarano, as the Executive Deputy Director of the Defense Information Systems Agency, assists the director as necessary and focuses on optimizing the internal operations of the agency. He also serves as the agency Component Acquisition executive.

Mr. Montemarano is a retired naval aviator with 21 years of naval service that included numerous operational deployments supporting anti-submarine warfare and utility helicopter operations aboard destroyers and fast frigates. He culminated his aviation career as the Navy's senior standardization pilot for the H-2 type aircraft.

Mr. Montemarano joined the information technology community in1986 while working in the Worldwide Military Command and Control System Information System (WIS) Joint Program Management Office. In 1989, he was assigned to the Defense Communications Agency (DCA) and worked in the Defense Data Network (DDN) Program Management Office. Due to his previous architectural and security assignments, such as the DCA Program Manager for the BLACKER program, he was assigned as one of the sector leaders for the DoD Data Task Force that formulated the concept now known as the Defense Information Systems Network (DISN).

Upon retirement from the Navy in 1992, Mr. Montemarano joined the federal service and continued his role in the acquisition community within DISN Program Management Office. He has since been deeply engaged with the development, acquisition, deployment and sustainment of every communications network DISA has deployed. Of note, he has been a pivotal player in the full life cycle of the Secret Internet Protocol Router Network (SIPRNet); the complete upgrade and expansion of the Unclassified but Sensitive Internet Protocol Router Network (NIPRNet); and the final phase out of the four sub-networks of the Defense Data Network. In 2001, he was assigned as the Principal Director for Network Services where he was responsible for the service management of all DISA-sponsored worldwide voice, data, video and transport networks. Between 2003 and 2005, he served as the Program Director for the Global Information Grid Bandwidth Expansion (GIG-BE) Program where he successfully led the acquisition, engineering, implementation and overall program management of the single largest expansion in the DoD global communications infrastructure, ever. During 2006 and 2007, Mr. Montemarano led the Program Executive Office for Information Assurance (IA) and NetOps Programs at DISA. As such, he provided oversight to a wide variety of IA and NetOps initiatives to include evolution of the Public Key Infrastructure, acquisition of the Host Based Security System, deployment of Enterprise Cross Domain Services and many other projects materially improving the security posture of the DoD global networks. From 2008 through 2011, he served as the Component Acquisition Executive where he oversaw the achievement of Full Operational Capability for both the Global Command and Control System–Joint and the Net Centric Enterprise Services programs. In 2012, he was assigned as the agency's strategic planner and on January 11, 2015, he was assigned to his present position where he has been guiding the internal structural alignment, processes and operation of the agency. Since the loss of the agency's Vice Director billet in early 2018, he has also served as the director's deputy.

Mr. Montemarano graduated from the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn in 1970 and was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering. In 1986, he received a Master of Science degree in Systems Management from the University of Southern California. He is a graduate of both the Armed Forces Staff College and the National War College and has attended the Defense Acquisition University. He is a member of the Defense Acquisition Corps and is Level III certified in the Program Management career field. He has been awarded both the meritorious and distinguished Presidential Rank Awards.

He has been married to his wife Margaret since 1969 and has two sons, Tony and Sal.