DDNI/Requirements Nominated to Head DNI Staff

Lt. Gen. Ronald L. Burgess would be First Director of the Intelligence Staff

The nomination of Lt. Gen. Ronald L. Burgess Jr. to serve as the Director of the Intelligence Staff (DIS) for the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) was forwarded by the White House for Senate confirmation on May 9, 2007.

Burgess currently serves as the Deputy DNI for Customer Outcomes (Requirements), and if confirmed, would replace Mr. David R. Shedd, who would become the Deputy DNI for Policy, Plans and Requirements.

The Office of the DIS is responsible for synchronizing and integrating efforts across the DNI staff and components. Offices that fall under the DIS include the Executive Secretariat, Office of Legislative Affairs, Protocol Office, Public Affairs Office, Watch Office, and the Office of Administration.

The Office of Administration formerly fell under the Deputy DNI for Management, but was added as a DIS responsibility during the Office of the DNI reorganization announced April 3, 2007.

Burgess was commissioned in Military Intelligence through the Auburn University ROTC Program in 1974. He earned a Master of Science degree in Education from the University of Southern California in 1980, and a Master of Military Arts and Science from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College in 1986.

Burgess assumed duty as the Deputy DNI for Customer Outcomes in August 2005 after serving as Director of Intelligence for the Joint Staff.

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