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DNI APPOINTS NEW INSPECTOR GENERAL

Director of National Intelligence Dennis C. Blair has appointed Ms. Roslyn A. Mazer, a Justice Department Official, as Inspector General (IG) of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Since 2002, Ms. Mazer has served as Investigative Counsel in the Department of Justice, Office of the Inspector General, where she has led teams of attorneys, inspectors, and auditors in conducting complex reviews of the FBI’s compliance with Attorney General Guidelines, congressionally-mandated reviews of National Security Letter authorities, and allegations of misconduct by Department personnel. She has served in the Department of Justice for more than 14 years, including as Associate Deputy Attorney General. Prior to her federal service, Ms. Mazer was in private practice.

“Having a strong and independent Inspector General is essential for the ODNI,” said Director Blair. “Roslyn’s experience at the Justice Department, especially in the Inspector General’s Office, equips her well for this responsibility. I look forward to her contributions as we move forward.”

The Intelligence Reform & Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 amended the Inspector General Act of 1978, granting the Director of National Intelligence authority to establish an Office of the Inspector General. Recognizing the important role an IG can play in improving the operations and effectiveness of the ODNI and the Intelligence Community, the DNI created this position in September of 2005.

As Inspector General of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), Ms. Mazer will be responsible for planning, conducting, supervising and coordinating inspections, audits, investigations and other inquiries related to the programs and operations of the ODNI, as well as for providing policy direction in these matters.

The mission of her office is to ensure accountability and integrity in the performance of duties and the expenditure of funds, and to provide analyses and insights that will enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of programs for which the ODNI is responsible. Her office will also exercise coordination and leadership, working with the inspectors general of other intelligence agencies, in carrying out cross-agency projects and fulfilling community-wide objectives established under the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004.

Ms. Mazer will begin work on April 24th, 2009. She succeeds Mr. Edward Maguire, who joined the ODNI in July of 2005.

Mazer received her J.D. from the Columbus School of Law of The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. She received her B.A. from Syracuse University.

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