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MELISSA A. DRISKO

Director for Rank-in-Person Implementation

Ms. Drisko was appointed the Director for Rank-in-Person Implementation in August 2015. Prior to assuming this position, she was the DIA Director for Science and Technology.

An intelligence professional since 1981, Ms. Drisko has completed assignments of increasing complexity in a range of posts. These included service as a manpower officer with Naval Intelligence Headquarters, Indications & Warning watchstander with the Navy Operational Intelligence Center, current intelligence officer with the State Department's Bureau of Intelligence and Research, aide to the Director of Naval Intelligence, and Soviet submarine readiness analyst with the Office of Naval Intelligence.



In subsequent positions, Ms. Drisko managed the programming and budgeting office at the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI), followed by a three-year assignment as the Command Operations officer at ONI. She also served for four years in the Directorate of Operations, Central Intelligence Agency, before joining the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) in October 2004 as the Chief, Community Enterprise Office within the Directorate for Analysis. She later became the Deputy Chief Financial Executive at DIA in November 2007. Beginning in April 2009, she served as the Deputy Director of Naval Intelligence until her return to DIA in September 2010. She subsequently served as the Vice Deputy Director for Collection Management/the Deputy Defense Collection Manager, followed by her assignment as DIA's Chief of Staff and then as Director for Science and Technology.

Ms. Drisko is a graduate of the University of Virginia where she earned the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology (1981) and was commissioned in the U.S. Navy in May 1981.

Ms. Drisko is married to Mr. Philip Kosmacki. They have three children and reside in Alexandria, Virginia.

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