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## **NDU TO INDUCT THREE GRADUATES INTO INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS HALL OF FAME**

### **University Celebrates Distinguished Alumni**

(Washington, DC) National Defense University (NDU) is pleased to announce the induction of three international alumni into its International Fellows Hall of Fame: Vice Admiral Tomasz Mathea, Commander of the Polish Navy and 2003 graduate of Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy (formerly the Industrial College of the Armed Forces); Lieutenant General Lech Majewski, Commander of the Polish Air Force and 2005 graduate of the National War College; and Major General Edvardas Mažeikis, Commander of the Lithuanian Air Force and also a 2003 graduate of the Eisenhower School.

They will be inducted in a ceremony at Fort McNair on Tuesday, October 23 at 4:30 PM in Marshall Hall Room 155.

The International Fellows Hall of Fame was established to recognize former International Fellows who achieve the highest positions of service in their nations' Armed Forces or government. VADM Mathea, Lt Gen Majewski, and Maj Gen Mažeikis will join thirty-four former Fellows already inducted into the Hall of Fame, including five from Poland. Maj Gen Mažeikis will be the first inductee from Lithuania. Their pictures will be permanently displayed in the International Hall of Fame area of Marshall Hall at Fort McNair.

National Defense University offers 1-year fellowships to select senior officers from more than 50 nations, all invited by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The fellowships provide an opportunity to study in the Eisenhower School, the National War College, or the College of International Security Affairs. The program conducts extensive travel within the United States to military, cultural, and industrial locations. The objectives of the International Fellows Program are to:

- Prepare future leaders of the armed forces and civilian agencies for high-level policy command and staff responsibilities.
- Provide an understanding of factors and considerations that shape U.S. security policy and strategy.
- Develop firsthand knowledge of the social, political, and economic factors that shape U.S. institutions.
- Further develop the professional qualifications of the International Fellow.

Media wishing to attend the ceremony or for any inquiries about the ceremony or the International Fellows Hall of Fame, please contact Mr. Russ Thacker of the International Student Management Office at (202) 685-2545 or [thackers@ndu.edu](mailto:thackers@ndu.edu).

The National Defense University (NDU) is the premier national security institution focused on advanced joint education, leader development and scholarship. Under the direction and leadership of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, NDU offers a collegial and collaborative graduate level academic environment to support the joint warfighter by providing rigorous Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) to members of the U.S. Armed Forces and select others in order to develop leaders who have the ability to operate and creatively think in an unpredictable and complex world. For more information about the National Defense University, please contact: Dave Thomas, Public Affairs Officer, at 202-685-3140 or [ThomasD2@ndu.edu](mailto:ThomasD2@ndu.edu); or visit [www.ndu.edu](http://www.ndu.edu).

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