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National Defense University Graduation to be Held June 7th

(Washington, DC) The National Defense University combined graduation of its two senior colleges, the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and the National War College, will be held on Wednesday, June 7th, at 10:00 a.m., at Fort McNair in southwest Washington, DC.

Master's degrees will be conferred on 513 students during the ceremony in front of Roosevelt Hall.

The Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., US Navy, will be the graduation speaker.

Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft, US Air Force, (Retired), will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of National Security Affairs at the ceremony. Currently, he is President of The Scowcroft Group, Inc, an international business advisory firm. He is also the founder and President of The Forum for International Policy, a non-partisan, non-profit organization providing independent perspectives and opinions on major foreign policy issues, based on a commitment to active, thoughtful American global leadership.

General Scowcroft served as Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs to Presidents Gerald Ford and George H. W. Bush. He also served as Military Assistant to President Nixon and as Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs to Presidents Ford and Nixon. Prior to joining the Bush Administration, General Scowcroft was Vice Chairman of Kissinger Associates, Inc.

Approximately 75 percent of the graduates are senior officers from the U.S. armed services. Federal government civilians, International Fellows from more than 50 countries, and private sector civilians make up the other 25 percent.

Industrial College of the Armed Forces students (306) will receive a Master's degree in National Resource Strategy. National War College students (207) will receive a Master's degree in National Security Strategy.

The National Defense University is accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

Media wishing to attend the graduation ceremony should contact Dave Thomas, NDU Director of Public Affairs, at (202) 685-3140 or Thomasd2@ndu.edu.

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