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## National Defense University Graduation to be Held June 7th

(Washington DC) National Defense University graduation will be held on Thursday, June 7th, at 10:00 a.m., at Fort McNair in southwest Washington, DC. 559 students from the School for National Security Executive Education, the National War College, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces will participate in 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.

Approximately 75 percent of the graduates are senior officers from the U.S. armed services. Federal government civilians, international students from more than 60 countries and private sector civilians make up the other 25 percent.

Thirty-two graduates of the School for National Security Executive Education will receive a Master of Arts degree in Strategic Security Studies (with a concentration in combating terrorism) when legislation authorizing the degree is signed later in the summer.

The 215 National War College students will receive a Master of Science degree in National Security Strategy.

The 312 Industrial College of the Armed Forces students will receive a Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy.

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

Media organizations interested in covering the graduation ceremonies should contact Dave Thomas, NDU Director of Public Affairs, at (202) 685-3140 or <u>ThomasD2@ndu.edu</u> to make arrangements to do so.

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