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## **Rear Admiral Garry E. Hall, USN, Becomes Commandant of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces**

Rear Admiral Garry E. Hall, United States Navy, became the 38th Commandant of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces at the National Defense University, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C., in a ceremony at the university on Dec. 20, 2007.

The Industrial College of the Armed Forces educates selected military and civilians for strategic leadership and success in developing our national security strategy and in evaluating, marshalling, and managing resources in the execution of that strategy. Graduates receive a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy.

Rear Admiral Hall enlisted in the Navy in 1971 and later attended the United States Naval Academy graduating in 1976 with a Bachelor of Science degree in marine engineering. He earned his Masters of Business Administration from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville in 1989.

Rear Admiral Hall's sea tours include Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadrons Light (HSL) 37 and 35, *USS Essex* (LHD 2), and *USS Tarawa* (LHA 1).

His command tours include Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL) 51, Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL) 41, and commanding officer of *USS Tarawa* (LHA 1).

Ashore, Rear Admiral Hall was a Flight Instructor at the west coast SH-2F Fleet Replacement Squadron (HSL 31), Aide De Camp to the Vice Director of Strategic Targeting at Offutt AFB, Neb., and Executive Assistant to Commander, Naval Air Forces/Commander, Naval Air Force U.S. Pacific Fleet.

Rear Admiral Hall's first Flag Assignment was Deputy Director, J3, U.S. Central Command, for Information Operations and Psychological Warfare during *Operation Enduring Freedom* and *Operation Iraqi Freedom*. His next assignment was as the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence (N2), Operations (N3) and Exercises (N7) for Commander Allied Naval Forces North, NATO Headquarters Northwood U. K.

Rear Admiral Hall was assigned as Commander, Amphibious Group 2, which became Expeditionary Strike Group 2 and deployed as an operational staff. He served simultaneously as Commander Task Force 51, Commander Task Force 59, and Commander Task Force 158 leading the Coalition responsible for protection of Iraqi oil infrastructure and training the Iraq Naval Forces.

Rear Admiral Hall's personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Meritorious Service Medal (four awards) and Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal. In 1987 he was recognized as the Navy's Helicopter Pilot of the Year for sustained performance.

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