Randall C. Cieslak

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Chief Information Officer
U.S. Pacific Command

Mr. Cieslak is responsible to the Commander, U.S. Pacific Command for managing and evolving the information infrastructure to enable the full spectrum of military capabilities.   Mr. Cieslak reports to the Commander via the Chief-of-Staff and the Director for Communications Systems, (staff code - J6) and has deputy director authority over the J6 staff.   Mr. Cieslak's goals are to achieve: (1) an information infrastructure that provides world class service; (2) assurance of information security and availability; (3) a workforce savvy in computer, network and information tools; and (4) integrated capabilities for innovation, sound decisions and improved processes.

Mr. Cieslak was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in December 1999 and has 30 years of Federal service.

Mr. Cieslak attended Purdue University and graduated in 1977 with a bachelor's degree in Industrial engineering specializing in Operations Research and Statistics. Following graduation, Mr. Cieslak was commissioned in the Navy as a Submarine Officer and served on the *USS Omaha* through 1982 culminating his tour as the Weapons Department Officer then transferring to the Navy Reserve. He retired from the Navy Reserve after a 30 year career as a Captain.

From April 1983 through July 1985, Mr. Cieslak was a nuclear test engineering instructor at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard where he created an entire course to qualify test engineers on General Electric's sixth generation submarine reactor plant. Mr. Cieslak was also responsible for drafting and evaluating reactor accident scenarios.

From July 1985 through December 1999, Mr. Cieslak worked for what is now the Space and Naval Warfare System Center (SSC), San Diego, in multiple operational command support roles.

From July 1985 through October 1988, Mr. Cieslak supported the Commander, Submarine Forces Pacific as the Over-the-Horizon Targeting expert for cruise missile employment.

From October 1988 through December 1999, Mr. Cieslak supported the Commander, U. S. Pacific Fleet in several capacities. He was the Director of the Fleet Command Center Battle Management Program test bed and the Pacific Fleet manager for multiple command and control systems. In 1997, he chaired the integrated product team that produced the first Information Technology Standards Policy for the Navy and Marine Corps under the auspices of the Department of the Navy Chief Information Officer. Mr. Cieslak was a principal architect and developer of the Navy's Information Technology for the 21st Century (IT21) initiative.

In December 1999, Mr. Cieslak was selected as the first Chief Information Officer (CIO) of the U.S. Pacific Command (USPACOM). As USPACOM's CIO, Mr. Cieslak championed several initiatives including the following.

- Alignment of multiple disparate efforts through the Information Capabilities Framework
- Establishment of standards and service level objectives through the Information Technology Support Framework
- Electronic Collaboration for long-distance multi-user meetings
- Information infrastructure for the Nimitz MacArthur Pacific Command Center and other new facilities
- Standards for information content and knowledge management through the Information Management Plan
- Security accreditation and risk adjudication as the Designated Approving Authority through the Information Assurance Framework
- Development of an information network for multi-coalition operations through the Agile Coalition Environment (ACE) architecture
- Maximizing return on investment through the Information Resource Management Plan and the Information Service Valuation Method

Mr. Cieslak holds a master's degree in system's management from the University of Southern California specializing in information systems. Mr. Cieslak has completed the Navy Executive Leadership Forum from the Brookings Institution in March 2001 and the Naval Executive Business Course from the University of North Carolina in April 2007.

Mr. Cieslak was awarded the Navy Superior Civilian Service Award in February 1998; the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award in June1995 and the U.S. Naval Institute Copernicus award in January 1998. In 1999 and 2003, Mr. Cieslak was recognized by Federal Computer Week as a one of the top 100 information professionals supporting Federal government. Mr. Cieslak's naval decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), and the Navy and Army Achievement Medals.

Mr. Cieslak is a member of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association and the Naval Reserve Association.