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Director DSCA to Retire From Active Duty

The Department of the Air Force announced yesterday the retirement of Lieutenant General Tome H. Walters Jr., Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, effective 1 July 2004. Lt Gen Walters assumed his current position in August 2000. During his tenure he has overseen an average of \$13 billion in Foreign Military Sales, many of which provide multiple levels of support to coalition partners fighting the global war on terrorism. His leadership has been instrumental in launching business process re-engineering and other transformation efforts aimed at modernizing the Foreign Military Sales system.

Lt Gen Walters' 34-year distinguished active duty career with the Air Force includes command and staff positions at Air Force headquarters, the Joint Staff, Air Mobility Command, Air Training Command and Strategic Air Command. He commanded an air refueling squadron, a pilot training operations group and an air refueling wing. As a command pilot he logged more than 3,500 hours in air refueling and trainer aircraft, including 100 combat support sorties in Southeast Asia.

Effective 1 July 2004 Mr. Richard Millies, the deputy director DSCA, will serve as acting director until a new director is appointed.