

# STABILITY, SECURITY, TRANSITION & RECONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS (SSTRO) CONFERENCE

*“Navigating Uncertainty, Managing Change:  
Applying Lessons Learned for Mission Success in the Face of  
Operational and Fiscal Challenges”*



**JUNE 18, 2014**

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## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2014

**7:15 AM - 5:15 PM**

### Registration Open

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**7:15 AM - 8:00 AM**

### Continental Breakfast

*Foyer*

**8:00 AM - 8:20 AM**

### Welcome and Opening Remarks

- ▶ MG Barry Bates, USA (Ret), VP Operations, NDIA

**8:20 AM - 9:15 AM**

### Opening Keynote Address

*Introduction: Mr. Walt Sasser, Owner/CEO, The Sasser Group, Ltd.; Division and Conference Co-Chair; NDIA SSTRO Division*

- ▶ ADM William H. McRaven, USN, Commander, USSOCOM

**9:15 AM - 9:45 AM**

### Networking Break

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**9:45 AM - 11:15 AM**

### Professional Services Council Panel: Federal Acquisition: Climate, Trends, Challenges and Opportunities

*Introduction: Dr. Lewis Rasmussen, Director, Tetra Tech; Division and Conference Co-Chair; NDIA SSTRO Division*

- ▶ Mr. Stan Soloway, President, Professional Services Council; Former Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition Reform)
- ▶ Mr. Alan Estevez, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics
- ▶ Ms. Catherine Ebert-Gray, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Logistics Management
- ▶ Mr. Lance Butler, III, Ombudsman for Acquisition and Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development

**11:15 AM - 12:15 PM**

### A Distinguished Policy Perspective: Understanding USAID's Role in Conflict Prevention, Crisis Response and Stabilization

*Introduction: Dr. Lewis Rasmussen, Director, Tetra Tech; Division and Conference Co-Chair; NDIA SSTRO Division*

- ▶ Mr. Alex Thier, Assistant to the Administrator for Policy, Planning and Learning, U.S. Agency for International Development

**12:15 PM - 1:15 PM**

### Networking Lunch

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1:15 PM - 2:40 PM

**Panel:****From Impediments to Success in Stabilization Efforts: Lessons Learned from Civil-Military and Public and Private Sector Cooperation**

*Introduction: Dr. Lewis Rasmussen, Director, Tetra Tech; Division and Conference Co-Chair; NDIA SSTRO Division*

- ▶ **Moderator:** Mr. Albert Cevallos, Director, Effective Governance, DAI
- ▶ Ambassador William Garvelink (Ret), Career Minister, U.S. Agency for International Development; Senior Advisor, International Medical Corps
- ▶ Ms. Linda Poteat, Director, Emergency Capacity Building Project; Director, Disaster Response, InterAction
- ▶ Ambassador Robin Raphel, Senior Advisor on Pakistan, Office of the Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan, U.S. Department of State
- ▶ Mr. Del Hegarty, Former Chief of Party, MIDA; Business Manager, Tetra Tech Colombia

2:40 PM - 3:10 PM

**Networking Break**

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3:10 PM - 4:15 PM

**The Stimson Center Panel: Fragile and Failing States: Understanding and Applying Twenty Years of Lessons**

*Introduction: Mr. Walt Sasser, Owner/CEO, The Sasser Group, Ltd.; Division and Conference Co-Chair; NDIA SSTRO Division*

- ▶ **Moderator:** Ambassador Lincoln P. Bloomfield, Jr. (Ret), Chair, Board of Directors, The Stimson Center
- ▶ Dr. William Durch, Director, Future of Peace Operations Program, The Stimson Center
- ▶ Mr. Russell Rumbaugh, Director, Budgeting for Foreign Affairs and Defense, The Stimson Center
- ▶ Ms. Alison Giffen, Senior Associate, Future of Peace Operations Program, The Stimson Center

4:15 PM - 5:00 PM

**Concluding Keynote Address**

*Introduction: Ambassador John E. Herbst (Ret), Director, Center for Complex Operations, NDU*

- ▶ Ambassador Thomas Pickering (Ret), Former Ambassador to the United Nations; Former Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs

5:00 PM - 5:10 PM

**Senior Mentor Perspective**

*Introduction: Mr. Walt Sasser, Owner/CEO, The Sasser Group, Ltd.; Division and Conference Co-Chair; NDIA SSTRO Division*

- ▶ Gen Charlie Holland, USAF (Ret), SSTRO Division Senior Mentor
- ▶ ADM Timothy J. Keating, USN (Ret), SSTRO Division Senior Mentor

5:10 PM - 5:15 PM

**Conference Concluding Remarks**

- ▶ MG Barry Bates, USA (Ret), VP Operations, NDIA

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