

GeoEye Appoints Retired USAF Lieutenant General James R. Clapper to Board of Directors

GeoEye (VA, USA) has appointed retired Air Force Lieutenant General James R. Clapper, Jr. to its board of directors. Lt. Gen. Clapper was the first civilian director of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA).

"Jim was instrumental in innovating and transforming the NGA into a major proponent and end user of unclassified, commercial satellite imagery," said retired Air Force Lt.

Gen. James A. Abrahamson, GeoEye's Chairman of the Board. "Along with dramatically improving the range and cost-effectiveness of U.S. Government intelligence and mapping products, his creative vision has increased the viability of a growing geospatial industry. We are delighted to have him join our Board of Directors."

Highlights of Lt. Gen. Clapper's military career include serving as the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, in addition to a variety of intelligence-related positions including Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence and Headquarters USAF, during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm. He also served as Director of Intelligence for three war-fighting commands: United States Forces, Korea; Pacific Command; and Strategic Air Command. He retired as a lieutenant general from the United States Air Force in 1995 after a 32-year career. Prior to his appointment as director of the National Imagery and Mapping Agency in September 2001 (later renamed NGA), he worked in the industry for six years in three successive professional services companies focusing on intelligence clients. He is now the Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of DFI International Government Services and a Professor of Military Intelligence at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

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