



# U.S. Strategic Command Biography

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*Mr. Robert J. Taylor, Jr., SES  
J5 Deputy Director, Plans and Policy*

Robert J. Taylor, Jr., a member of the Senior Executive Service, is the Deputy Director, Plans and Policy, United States Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. The Deputy Director is responsible for shaping and implementing national security policies, strategies and plans in accordance with the execution of the Command's assigned missions. The Deputy Director assists in formulating and implementing strategy for USSTRATCOM's Unified Command Plan assigned missions.

These missions include strategic deterrence and global strike, space operations, cyberspace operations, missile defense, and intelligence surveillance and reconnaissance. The Deputy Director also represents the Director, Plans and Policy and the Commander, USSTRATCOM at senior level departmental, interagency, and international planning, policy, and strategy meetings and events, and assists in preparing the Commander for Congressional hearing appearances.

Mr. Taylor was born and raised in North Bend, Nebraska. He is a Distinguished Military Graduate of the Army ROTC program at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, and has been awarded two Master of Arts degrees in Military Art and Science. He has served in key staff positions in Army and Joint units from battalion to unified command level, and has commanded Army units from platoon to brigade. Mr. Taylor has four combat tours in Iraq, deployed special mission capabilities globally, and an operational deployment as part of Stabilization Force 4-5 in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

## EDUCATION

1985 Bachelor of Science degree in Biology, University of Nebraska at Kearney

1996 Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

1997 Master's Degree in Military Art and Science, School of Advanced Military Studies, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

2007 Master's Degree in Military Art and Science, Senior Service College, Advanced Operational Art Studies Fellowship, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

2008 National Security Management Fellow, National Security Studies Prog., Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.

2011 Joint and Combined Warfighting School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.  
2012 United States Army Senior Leader Seminar, Eastern Management Development Center,  
Shepherdstown, W. Va.  
2015 United States Air Force Enterprise Perspectives Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, DC.  
2017 United States Air Force China and East Asia Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, DC.

#### CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1982-1985 Armor crewman, 1st Battalion 195th Armor Regiment, Nebraska Army National Guard, Holdrege, Neb.  
1985-1990 Assistant Intelligence Officer (S2) for 3d Brigade; Intelligence Officer (S2) for 1st Battalion 8th Infantry; Collection and Jamming Platoon Leader and Logistics Officer (S4) for 104th Military Intelligence Battalion, and S2 for 1st Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colo.  
1990-1991 Student, Military Intelligence Officer Advanced Course, United States Army Intelligence Center and School, Fort Huachuca, Ariz.  
1991-1993 Intelligence Operations Officer (G2) for 3d Infantry Division; Commander of A Company, 103d Military Intelligence Battalion; Assistant Operations Officer (S3) for 103d Military Intelligence Battalion 3d Infantry Division, Wurzburg, Germany.  
1993-1995 Military Intelligence Captain's Assignment Officer, US Army Personnel Command, Alexandria, Va.  
1995-1997 Student, United States Army Command and General Staff College and Advanced Military Studies Program, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.  
1997-1998 Chief, War Plans and Exercises, III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas.  
1998-1999 Battalion Operations Officer (S3) for 312th Military Intelligence Battalion, Operation Joint Forge, Multi-National Division-North, Task Force Eagle, Tuzla, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Stabilization Force 4-5.  
1999-2000 Deputy Division Intelligence Officer (G2), 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.  
2000-2001 Deputy Commander/Chief of Staff, 504th Military Intelligence Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas.  
2001-2002 Senior Intelligence Officer (G2), 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.  
2002- 2004 Battalion Commander, 103d Military Intelligence Battalion, 3d Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga. (Deployed for combat operations and the Liberation of Iraq) Operation Iraqi Freedom.  
2004-2006 Senior Intelligence Officer (G2), 3d Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga. and Multi-National Division-Baghdad, Operation Iraqi Freedom.  
2006-2008 Student and Seminar Leader, Senior Service College Fellowship, School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS), Advanced Military Studies Program, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.  
2007 Chief, Commander's Initiative Group, Multi-National Corps, Baghdad, Iraq, Operation Iraqi Freedom.  
2008-2010 Brigade Commander, 704th Military Intelligence Brigade (Army Element Commander in support of the National Security Agency), US Army Intelligence and Security Command, Fort Meade, Md.

2010-2011 Senior Intelligence Officer (G2), III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas; dual hatted as the Deputy J2, US Forces-Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn, Iraq

2011-2014 Executive Officer for the Commander, United States Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

2014-present Deputy Director for Plans and Policy, United States Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

#### AWARDS AND HONORS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Bronze Star, 3d award

Meritorious Service Medal, 6th award

Army Commendation Medal, 2nd award

Army Achievement Medal, 5th award

Presidential Unit Citation

Joint Meritorious Unit Award, 2nd award

Meritorious Unit Commendation

Iraqi Campaign Medal with 7 campaign stars

NATO Medal

Combat Action Badge

Parachute Badge

Ranger Tab

*(Current as of January 2018)*