



U.S. Strategic Command Biography



Ms. Elizabeth M. Durham-Ruiz

Director, C4 Systems
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Ms. Elizabeth M. Durham-Ruiz, a member of the Senior Executive Service, is the Director of Command, Control, Communications, and Computer (C4) Systems; Chief Information Officer (CIO); and Director of the Nuclear Command, Control, and Communications (NC3) Enterprise Center, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska.

As the Director of C4 Systems and CIO, her directorate provides globally-integrated C4 capabilities for U.S. Strategic Command execution of full-spectrum operations for global strike, space, intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR), and cyberspace operations. She manages over \$20B of on-orbit communications assets and implements DoD and Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) communications and information policies across the Command. She ensures Clinger-Cohen Act compliance and develops, coordinates, and implements the U.S. Strategic Command enterprise information environment, which includes information resource management, capital planning, business process improvements, portfolio management, and information technology governance.

As the NC3 Enterprise Center Director, she oversees and manages NC3 operations, maintaining enterprise-wide visibility, assessing comprehensive operational and technical risk, and—with NC3 stakeholders' participation—develops and advocates future capabilities, risk management options, and prioritization recommendations.

Ms. Durham-Ruiz was commissioned into the United States Air Force in 1982 after graduating from the United States Air Force Academy. She served on active duty until 2007. She has extensive experience in command, control, communications, and cyber systems supporting Presidential, strategic, tactical, satellite commanding, and integrated tactical warning/attack assessment missions; satellite communications; enterprise information technology systems; cloud computing; and data management.

She was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in November 2016 and served as the U.S. Transportation Command Executive Director for Command, Control, Communications, and Cyber Systems and Deputy CIO. She was reassigned to her current position at U.S. Strategic Command in December 2018.

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