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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, UNITED STATES SPECIAL OPERATIONS

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SUBJECT: 2016 Acquisition and Contracting Legends Award

I am pleased to announce that Mr. Charles E. Bright, of the United States Special Operations Command, is the recipient of the 2016 Acquisition and Contracting Legends Award. Established in 2013, this award honors contracting legends by recognizing individuals who embody leadership and mentorship in executing the defense mission. Mr. Bright was selected from a list of highly qualified nominees as the individual who best exemplifies the contracting wisdom and values that characterize such inspirational leaders. His commitment to the professional development and mentorship of the workforce, effective collaboration, and creative leadership, make him one of the most influential and respected leaders within the Department of Defense acquisition and contracting community.

I also want to express my appreciation to the organizations that submitted nominations for this prestigious award. All the nominees are outstanding leaders, respected mentors and subject matter experts within the contracting community. They were recognized for embodying the value and underlying tenets of this award and making a difference.

On behalf of the entire acquisition workforce. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Mr. Charles E. Bright on his legendary career.

Claire M. Grady

Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy