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**DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR SPACE
POLICY STEPHEN KITAY TO PROVIDE KEYNOTE ADDRESS
AT DOD COMMERCIAL SATCOM WORKSHOP**

Washington, D.C., November 06, 2017 – The Satellite Industry Association (SIA) today announced that Stephen L. Kitay, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space Policy is scheduled to provide the luncheon keynote address on Wednesday, December 13th at this year’s DoD Commercial SATCOM Workshop. Mr. Kitay joins fellow Workshop keynote House Armed Services Strategic Forces Subcommittee Chairman Mike Rogers, who will provide the morning keynote address on Thursday, December 14th.

Mr. Stephen L. Kitay is the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space Policy. In this role he is responsible for establishing policy and guidance to assure U.S. and allied warfighters the benefits of space capabilities and to help guide the Department’s strategy for addressing space-related issues. He also leads Departmental activities in international space cooperation. Prior to his current position, Mr. Kitay most recently served as a Professional Staff Member on the Strategic Forces Subcommittee of the House Armed Service Committee. Before joining the House Armed Services Committee, Mr. Kitay served as a government civilian in the Intelligence Community working on a variety of national intelligence programs, to include space systems at the National Reconnaissance Office. A complete biography is available at the link below.

<https://www.defense.gov/About/Biographies/Biography-View/Article/1243048/stephen-l-kitay/>

The 13th annual DoD Commercial SATCOM Workshop will take place from December 12th-14th at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, VA. Each year, the Workshop brings together government leaders from DoD Combatant Commands, Services and Agencies as well as commercial satellite industry operators, service providers, integrators, ground equipment suppliers and manufacturers. This is the industry’s chance to exhibit their latest satellite-based solutions as they join Government decision-makers, participants and speakers plus many more. For more information regarding the Workshop please visit the Workshop website at <http://www.dodsatcom.com> or contact SIA Director of Events and Operations Jennifer Williams at jwilliams@sia.org.

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