

All Hands Message from Mr. Dean G. Popps Army Acquisition Executive and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology)

The Association of the United States Army held its annual meeting and exposition last week in Washington, D.C. Billed as the world's largest landpower forum, it was a spectacular event. For the first time, the Acquisition, Logistics and Technology community had an enterprise display that featured eleven of our Program Executive Offices, Future Combat Systems and the Acquisition Support Center with experts on hand to answer a myriad of questions about the more than 650 programs in our portfolio. It was an historic and significant acquisition community presence, and we estimate that several thousand people came by, including the Secretary of the Army; Army Chief of Staff; Under Secretary of the Army; Vice Chief of Staff; and other distinguished guests. All commented on the "significant accomplishment" of showcasing the Army Acquisition Enterprise in one place at one time. I realize that many long hours and much hard work went into making the enterprise display a great success. My special thanks to all - and there is a long list - who helped make our "first time out of the gate" an event to remember.

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