Susan M Gordon
Deputy Director, NGA

Susan (Sue) Gordon became the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency's (NGA) sixth Deputy Director on Jan. 1, 2015 after more than 25 years of service with the Central Intelligence Agency. As deputy director of NGA, she assists the director in leading the agency and in managing the National System for Geospatial Intelligence.

Ms. Gordon previously served concurrently as Director of the CIA's Information Operations Center and as the CIA Director's senior advisor on cyber. She was responsible for fully integrating advanced cyber capabilities into all of CIA's mission areas, while protecting against the cyber threat to the CIA's information, operations and officers.

Sue began her career with the CIA in 1980 as an analyst in the Office of Scientific and Weapons Research in the Directorate of Intelligence, responsible for technical analysis of foreign space and missile systems. She later held several engineering development positions in the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology, working both national systems and new concepts before moving into a succession of analytic and technical management positions.

Ms. Gordon served later as the executive assistant to the Executive Director of the CIA and then became the architect and first director of the Office of Advanced Analytic Tools. In 1998, she was named special assistant to the Director of Central Intelligence and was responsible for designing and implementing In-Q-Tel, a private, non-profit company whose primary purpose is to deliver innovative technology solutions for the agency and the intelligence community.

Following a break in service to raise her children, Sue was appointed Director of Special Activities in the Directorate of Science and Technology, focusing on supporting counterproliferation and counterterrorism efforts. She was also the Intelligence Community's focal point for related biological research, development and engineering capabilities for collection and operations. She served as deputy chief of the Information Operations Center from September 2009 to December 2011 and then as the CIA's Director for Support from January 2012 to November 2013.

Ms. Gordon holds a Bachelor of Science degree in zoology (biomechanics) from Duke University.