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NGA reaches milestone with GEOINT Professional Certification

SPRINGFIELD, Virginia – The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency recently achieved a milestone of awarding its 25,000th GEOINT Professional Certification, and the GPC Governance Council celebrated this accomplishment March 11 at NGA Washington, Virginia.

“I want to recognize the monumental achievement,” said NGA Director VADM Frank Whitworth. “This program has been the leader in intelligence analyst certification ... our 11 accredited certifications serve as the example for our partners across the intelligence community.”

The GPC program is part of a broader Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence & Security initiative to further professionalize the Department of Defense Intelligence Enterprise workforce.

“It’s through the GPC program that we can set standards for readiness in emerging tradecraft,” Whitworth said. “Standards help us decentralize, so we don’t have to be standing over our people as they make positive identification and provide warning,” all the way up to the president, as well as delegated down to the Secretary of Defense, combatant commanders and targeting authorities.

The director also noted that the program is central to the agency’s ability to understand baselines and distinguish anomalies, putting a spotlight on GEOINT’s credibility across the government.

The program applies to all cleared Department of Defense civilian, military and contractor practitioners in GEOINT-related work roles throughout the National System for Geospatial Intelligence. GPC may also extend to non-DoD members of the NSG with GEOINT equities.

For more information on the GPC program, visit:

https://www.nga.mil/resources/GEOINT_Professional_Certification.html.

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