Thales Defense & Security, Inc. welcomes retired U.S. Navy Vice Admiral William E. Landay to Proxy Board

- As a Proxy Holder, VADM Landay will ensure that TDSI operates in accordance with a Proxy Agreement approved by the Department of Defense, maintaining high level US Government security clearances.
- VADM Landay has extensive experience in defense program management, Science and Technology Research and Development and Foreign Military Sales (FMS) programs.

Retired U.S. Navy VADM William “Bill” Landay III has been appointed as the newest member of the Thales Defense & Security, Inc. (TDSI) Board of Directors.

VADM Landay will serve as a Proxy Holder and as a member of the TDSI Government Security Committee (GSC). As a Proxy Holder and GSC member, he will ensure that TDSI continues to operate under independent management, as a cleared contractor, maintaining high level US Government security clearances.

“I am pleased to welcome Vice Adm. Landay as the newest member of TDSI’s Board of Directors,” said Mike Sheehan, CEO of Thales Defense & Security, Inc. “Vice Adm. Landay brings a wealth of international and naval experience that will guide our company in new directions both in the US and globally.”
Landay served more than 35 years in the U.S. Navy with various commands and leadership roles including the Program Executive Office (PEO) for Ships, responsible for the acquisition of all non-nuclear ships. VADM Landay’s other leadership roles, such as the Chief of Naval Research and Director of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency (DSCA), attest to his sound judgement, leadership, and success supporting a wide array of military and acquisition missions.

VADM Landay holds a Bachelor’s of Science degree in Systems Engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy. He also has a Master’s of Science degree in Systems Technology (C4I) from the Naval Postgraduate School and is a graduate of the Program for Management Development at the Harvard Business School. He was the 1998-1999 Navy Fellow in the Defense Systems Management College, Military Research Fellowship Program. VADM Landay is also a DoD level three certified acquisition professional and a proven subspecialist in C4I Systems.

About Thales

Thales (Euronext Paris: HO) is a global leader in advanced technologies, investing in digital and “deep tech” innovations – connectivity, big data, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity and quantum computing – to build a confident future crucial for the development of our societies. The Group provides its customers – businesses, organisations and governments – in the defense, aeronautics, space, transport, and digital identity and security domains with solutions, services and products that help them fulfil their critical role, consideration for the individual being the driving force behind all decisions.

Thales has 81,000 employees in 68 countries. In 2020 the Group generated sales of €17 billion.

About Thales in the USA

In the United States, Thales has conducted significant research and development, manufacturing, and service capabilities for more than 100 years. Today, Thales is present in 22 states, operating 46 different facilities and employing nearly 5,000 people. Working closely with U.S. customers and local partners, Thales is able to meet the most complex requirements for every operating environment.