

# PATRICK T. ARVIDSON

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## **Current Position:**

Mr. Arvidson serves as the Special Assistant to the Office of the National Manager for National Security Systems (NSS) for the National Security Agency (NSA), providing oversight and guidance on Cybersecurity and computer security strategy and requirements to secure NSS. As Chair of a joint working group, NIPR/SIPR CyberSecurity Architecture Review (NSCSAR), he drives development of a framework to categorize threat and reduce risk to manageable levels to enable portfolio management for acquisition and design of computer systems. The Office of The National Manager is directly responsible for all NSS across the government containing classified and/or sensitive information critical to military and intelligence activities.

## **Professional Background:**

Mr. Patrick Arvidson served 15 years in the United States Air Force as a Cryptographic Linguistic Technician. Since 2001 he has supported the Department of Defense in the areas of Information Assurance and Cybersecurity. From 2015-2016, in his most recent position, Mr. Arvidson was the Executive Director, Principal Cyber Advisor to the Office of the Secretary of Defense/Director for Defending DoD Networks and Information Systems that identify, synchronize, and coordinate Department-wide issues. In 2001 (after a transition from the Air Force to the Department of Defense) until 2015 he held multiple positions providing significant value to the Information Assurance Mission, to include, supporting USCYBERCOM with the establishment of the Cyber National Mission force, providing Senior Technical Advisement of commercial products for Cybersecurity to the DoD, representing the Information Assurance mission to the US Military Representative at the NATO headquarters in Belgium, and authoring one of the very first NATO Cyber Defense policies.

## **Education:**

Mr. Arvidson graduated in 2004 from the University of Maryland University College with a Master's of Science in Information Assurance. In 2010 he graduated from the Naval War College in Rhode Island with a Masters of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies.