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Dennis Blair serves as a member of the Energy Security Leadership Council of Securing America's Future Energy and the Aspen Homeland Security Council; he is on the boards of Freedom House, the National Bureau of Asian Research and the National Committee on US-China Relations.

From January 2009 to May 2010, as Director of National Intelligence, Blair led sixteen national intelligence agencies, administering a budget of \$50 billion and providing integrated intelligence support to the President, Congress and operations in the field.

From 2003 to 2006, Dennis Blair was president and chief executive officer of the Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA), a federally funded research and development center based in Alexandria, Virginia that supports the Department of Defense, the Department of Homeland Security and the Intelligence Community.

Prior to retiring from the Navy in 2002, Admiral Blair served as Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Command, the largest of the combatant commands. During his 34-year Navy career, Admiral Blair served on guided missile destroyers in both the Atlantic and Pacific fleets and commanded the Kitty Hawk Battle Group. Ashore, he served as Director of the Joint Staff and held budget and policy positions on the National Security Council and several major Navy staffs.

Dennis Blair has served as a director of both public and private corporations, including Tyco International, EDO Corporation (now part of L-3, Inc.), and Iridium LLC (now a public corporation). He resigned from all board positions when he re-entered government in 2009. He currently is a consultant for Lockheed Martin Space Systems and the European Aeronautic Defense and Space Company, North America. He co-chaired the Commission on the Theft of American Intellectual Property, which published a series of recommendations in in May, 2013.

A graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Admiral Blair earned a master's degree in history and languages from Oxford University as a Rhodes scholar, and was a White House fellow at the Department of Housing and Urban Development. He has been awarded four Defense Distinguished Service medals, three National Intelligence Distinguished Service medals, and has received decorations from the governments of Japan, Thailand, Korea, Australia, the Philippines and Taiwan. He is the author of *Military Engagement: Influencing Armed Forces Worldwide to Support Democratic Transitions*, published in June, 2013.