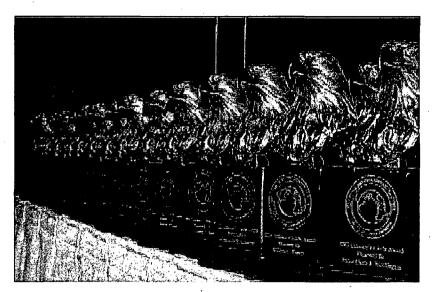
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(0) DNRO bestows Director's Circle Award on NRO employees



(U) Before a packed auditorium charged with anticipation and excitement, DNRO Peter Teets bestowed Director's Circle Awards on select NRO civilian and military employees in recognition for their significant contributions to the NRO and outstanding performance on Wed., Dec. 17.

(U) "This is NRO's most prestigious award," said Stephanie Platz-Vieno, Director of Human Resources, in her opening remarks.

NRO's mission in a very important and significant way and model our values," said Mr. Teets, who gave each of the 85 recipients a brass statuette of an eagle's head on pedestal featuring the NRO seal. "Because of their outstanding contributions, the NRO is collecting better and more actionable intelligence than ever before in history."

(U) The Director's Circle Award is an annual non-monetary award presented annually to approximately two percent of the combined military and civilian workforce. Created in 1998, this award recognizes individuals who in the previous year have made significant contributions that have had an NRO-wide impact and whose outstanding performance reflects the organization's values and goals.

(U) Recently, the NRO also issued another award, the Sentinel Award, to NRO civilian employees. This monetary award recognizes a larger percentage of the civilian workforce who have made significant contributions to the mission and goals of an NRO directorate or office and who have performed in accordance with the NRO values.

(U) Click here for a complete list of 2003 Director's Circle Winners and 2003 Sentinel Award winners.

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(U)-DEEO/ME recognizes NRO employees at Diversity Awards Ceremony

(U) In honor of those who support NRO cultural diversity events, the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity and Military Equal Opportunity (OEEO/ME) held its annual Diversity Awards Ceremony on Wed., Dec. 17th. At this ceremony, the DNRO issued Individual Diversity Awards, Office Diversity Awards, and Diversity Champion Awards to over 70 employees and eight directorates and offices for their contributions during the Aug. 1, 2002 to Jul. 31, 2003 timeframe.

(U) The Individual Diversity Award recognizes government personnel who have: participated in two or more cultural diversity events; served as Chair of the Special Emphasis Program (SEP) Council; actively participated in the Diversity Liaison Officer Program or served as a Senior Champion for a SEP Council. The Office Diversity Award recognize offices who support cultural diversity events. The Diversity Champion Award is presented to those individuals who have demonstrated an ongoing commitment, passion, and dedication to the implementation of the NRO Strategic Plan for Diversity. The OEEO/ME defines Diversity Champions as those who promote diversity by mentoring and assisting other employees in their professional development; implement diversity programs and councils; include diversity within their own D/O strategic plans; support the NRO strategic enabling objective and/or encourage employee participation in OEEO/ME sponsored events and programs.

(U) To view the complete list of diversity awardees, click here.



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