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Mrs. Michèle Hizon is the Principal Director of Security Assistance (SA) at the Defense Security Cooperation Agency (DSCA). The Directorate is responsible for the global execution of security assistance activities. These include Foreign Military Sales (FMS); End Use Monitoring; and Title 22 training and equipping programs such as Excess Defense Articles, Special Defense Acquisition Fund, leases, and Foreign Military Financing. Prior to this assignment, Mrs. Hizon was the Chief of Weapons at DSCA from 2011 to 2015. Her responsibilities included providing technical and doctrinal subject-matter expertise on weapons and systems, synchronizing interagency technology release efforts to support weapons sales, serving as the industry ombudsman for FMS, overseeing international FMS competitions, and developing the FMS Forecast.

Mrs. Hizon was on the staff of the Director, International Negotiations, in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics/ International Cooperation from 2007 to 2011. Her responsibilities were in international cooperative programs and associated international agreements, technology security and foreign disclosure, and export controls.

From 2003 to 2007, Mrs. Hizon was the Deputy Director, Technology Assessment, Exchanges, and Disclosure Division in the Navy International Programs Office (Navy IPO), where she promoted defense cooperation with allied and friendly nations while ensuring protection of U.S. and allied nation warfighting capability through technology controls in accordance with the National Disclosure Policy, the International Traffic in Arms Regulations, and the Export Administration Regulations.

From 2000 to 2003 she served at the Navy IPO as a senior negotiator, responsible for the negotiation of Department of the Navy research, development, test, evaluation, licensed production, and other international agreements.

Mrs. Hizon worked at the Department of Commerce (1998-2000) in defense trade advocacy, for defense contractors (1992-1998), and as a U.S. House of Representatives Appropriations Committee Associate Staffer/Legislative Assistant for a Member of Congress on the House Appropriations Committee (1989-1992). Mrs. Hizon holds a Master's Degree from the London School of Economics and a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Notre Dame.