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Michael E. White is the Principal Director for Hypersonics (PD,H) in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering OUSD(R&E). In that capacity Mr. White is responsible for leading the Nation's vision and strategy for developing offensive and defensive warfighting capability enabled by hypersonic systems.

Before his current position, Mr. White was Head of the Air and Missile Defense Sector at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory where he led over 1,100 staff members developing

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Mr. White earned both his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in aerospace engineering from the University of Maryland. He has authored over 30 papers on hypersonic weapon system development and other defense system related topics.