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Mr. Marlan Macklin is the Deputy Principal Director for FutureG in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering (OUSD(R&E)). The FutureG Office guides U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) research, funding, and execution of programs developing 5G and future generation wireless technologies. In his current position, Mr. Macklin is responsible for ensuring the office's strategic alignment, overseeing budget execution, and providing program execution oversight.

Mr. Macklin's career is deeply rooted in international cooperative defense acquisition programs. Prior to joining the FutureG Office, he served at the U.S. Mission to NATO as Chief of the Communications & Electronics Division, advising on acquisition strategies, emerging technologies, and U.S. industrial base engagement in Europe. As a Country Programs Manager within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment (OUSD(A&S)) and former Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics, he advanced cooperative programs, negotiated international agreements, and enabled foreign industrial participation with allies across the Indo-Pacific and Middle East.

During the pandemic, Mr. Macklin served as the OUSD(A&S) representative on the Secretary of Defense's COVID-19 Task Force supporting DoD's contributions to domestic and international COVID-19 response activities. In other assignments throughout his career, Mr. Macklin advanced Foreign Military Sales, armaments cooperation, and security assistance policy in U.S. Army organizations including the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Defense Exports & Cooperation; the Program Executive Office for Command, Control, Communications-Tactical; the Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command; and the Army Materiel Command.

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