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INSS Colleagues for the Americas Seminar

Wednesday, November 18, 2009

9:00-11:00 AM

Lincoln Hall, Room 1105

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General Douglas Fraser, USAF
Commander, U.S. Southern Command

Initial Impressions

General Fraser assumed his post at US Southern Command in June 2009, becoming the first Air Force officer to hold the position. Fraser previously served as Deputy Commander of U.S. Pacific Command in 2008-2009. He has commanded operational units across the U.S. Air Force, including the 12th Fighter Squadron at Kadena Air Base, Japan, the 366th Operations Group at Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho, and the 3rd Wing at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. A 1975 graduate of the Air Force Academy and 1992 graduate of the National War College, Fraser earned a master's degree in political science from Auburn University in 1987. He also spent three years of high school in Bogota, Colombia, graduating from Colegio Nueva Granada in 1971.

Gen. Fraser will discuss his impressions as the Commander of USSOUTHCOM after five busy months. The discussion is off-the-record and may not be attributed to the speaker or any participant without his or her expressed permission.

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The INSS Colleagues for the Americas Seminar is intended to stimulate dialogue about salient ideas affecting U.S. security through informal seminars with practitioners, new authors, and researchers. Participants are drawn from the Institute, the National Defense University and the wider Western Hemisphere community.