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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**THE NATIONAL DEFENSE TRANSPORTATION  
ASSOCIATION (NDTA) COMMEMORATES  
NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION WEEK  
WITH SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION,  
THE HONORABLE NORMAN Y. MINETA**

(Alexandria, VA – April 26, 2005) --- A black tie reception and buffet hosted by the Washington DC Chapter of the National Defense Transportation Association (NDTA) and in cooperation with the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, Behring Center, is planned for May 21, 2005. The event is in support of the Department of Transportation's annual National Transportation Week (NTW) celebration. Secretary of Transportation Mr. Norman Y. Mineta, the featured guest of honor and keynote speaker, will meet and greet NDTA members and guests beginning at 7 p.m. at the Museum. *America on the Move*, the exhibition documenting transportation milestones and venue for the evening's festivities, provides a fitting salute to all transportation professionals.

The event also offers NDTA the opportunity to thank members for their support, especially to NTW Founding Benefactors (*Choice Hotels International, CorTrans Logistics, DHL, Exel, FedEx, Hertz, InterContinental Hotels Group, Landstar System, Maersk Line, Ltd., Northrop Grumman, OAG, Panther II, UPS – Supply Chain Solutions, US Airways and Yellow Corporation/Exact Express*) who helped an expansion of NTW activities during the past two years. Additionally, NDTA is indebted to this year's co-sponsors who have lent support to the Chapter NTW Reception. They are: Eagle Global Logistics, Landstar System, American Maritime Officers, FedEx, Maersk Line, Ltd.,

SAIC, SRA, APL, Ltd., InterContinental Hotels Group, UPS, LMI, and the International Organization of Master, Mates & Pilots. The dedicated commitment and generous contributions of NDTA Members is key to continued success for National Transportation Week observances.

In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed the third week of May as “National Transportation Week”. From May 15 through May 21, activities will be presented at various locations across the US, including demonstrations, static displays and contests. The annual National Transportation Week Poster Contest, open to all 5<sup>th</sup> grade students nation-wide, is certainly one of the most publicized. Its aim is to educate and inspire youngsters - the future movers and shakers of the transportation industry who one day will face the challenge, and triumph, of keeping America “on the move”.

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The National Defense Transportation Association is a non-profit, non-political educational association committed to fostering partnerships between government, military and industry, and maintaining a strong and efficient global transportation, travel and distribution system in support of national security. There are over 8500 members in the association, comprised of both individual and corporate members. There are 60 plus chapters in the United States and overseas in Europe and the Pacific. The national headquarters office is located in Alexandria, VA.

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