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Brigadier General Peter M. Aylward, Deputy Director, Anti-Terrorism/Homeland Defense Joint Staff J-3/4 has served in a variety of command and staff assignments including: Platoon Leader, Executive Officer, and Commander of an Armored Cavalry Troop; S-3 1/110 Armored Cavalry Squadron; Plans Officer, Operational Readiness and Evaluation Division, Headquarters, First United States Army; Executive Officer for the Deputy Director, Operations, Readiness and Mobilization, DCSOPS, Army Operations Center, Pentagon, Washington, DC, ADP and Telecom Program Manager, Army National Guard Readiness Center; Commander 26th Infantry Brigade (Light) 29th Infantry Division; Deputy J-5 Plans and Policy Northern Command, Colorado Springs; Deputy J-3 Domestic Operations, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia.

In addition, he served as a member of the Department of Defense (DoD) Tiger Team for Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD); the 1997 Defense Science Board WMD Analysis and Implementation Team; White House subcommittee for Disaster Reduction and Tsunami Warning and Planning; and was the Director, DoD Pandemic Influenza Task Force.

General Aylward received a B.S. in computer information systems from Lowell University, Lowell, Massachusetts, and a master's in military studies from the Marine Corps University.

Major awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Army Commendation Medal with one silver oak leaf cluster and one bronze oak leaf cluster, and Joint Service Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster, to mention a few.