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**Geospatial Intelligence Doctrine Available On-Line**

Geospatial Intelligence (GEOINT) professionals and customers now have a publication that provides them with a framework for understanding GEOINT, the exploitation and analysis of imagery and geospatial information to describe, assess and visually depict physical features and geographically referenced activities on the Earth. The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) developed the Geospatial Intelligence Basic Doctrine to explain what GEOINT is, how it contributes to the nation's overall intelligence effort, and how it is helping to transform intelligence and defense capabilities to meet the challenge of a new global environment.

NGA Director, retired Air Force Lt. Gen. James R. Clapper, Jr. said, "I encourage readers to reflect on the principles outlined in this basic doctrine manual. As might be expected, the readers will find points of convergence that all can agree upon, as well as an occasional point of divergence that's both healthy and expected. I invite you to share your feedback."

The Geospatial Intelligence (GEOINT) Basic Doctrine (GEOINT Publication 1) can be downloaded from the NGA public web site, <http://www.nga.mil>.

The GEOINT Basic Doctrine is the first in a series of publications that will comprise a body of formal doctrine for GEOINT. Future publications will address the organization, employment, and operational aspects of GEOINT and its members' roles and missions within the National System for Geospatial-Intelligence.

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