

# Work-in-Progress

### **Maritime Administration**

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#### BACKGROUND

The Maritime Administration (MARAD) is seeking a qualified, independent review of its core functions, its role within the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and its benefit to the Nation. The Agency's mission is to improve, strengthen and promote the U.S. maritime transportation system to meet the economic and security needs of the Nation. The Agency intends to use this review to improve its effectiveness, efficiencies, and contribution to national objectives.

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Academy will evaluate these central issues:

- 1. How effectively and efficiently MARAD meets its statutory and presidentially-directed responsibilities;
- 2. How MARAD programs perform, their position within MARAD's responsibilities, and how they can be more effectively managed;
- 3. How MARAD compares to successful maritime transport organizations; and
- 4. How MARAD's missions and operations can support national defense and maritime transportation responsibilities and best fit within DOT.

The Academy study team will work with a five person Panel of Fellows over a 6-month time period to develop a report that examines the Agency's programs, management, resulting outcomes, and opportunities for improving efficiency. The report will provide recommendations MARAD to enhance agency mission and provide optimum alignment of resources within the Department of Transportation and the federal government to best serve the nation.

#### PANEL OF FELLOWS

Lewis Crenshaw,\* (chair) President and Founder, Crenshaw Consulting Associates LLC; Managing Director, HJ Steininger, PLLC; Chairman, Navy Safe Harbor Foundation. Former Principal, Grant Thornton LLP; Executive Director, Defense and Intelligence, Global Public Sector, Grant Thornton LLP. Former positions with the U.S. Navy: Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Resources, Requirements and Analysis (N8); Commander, Navy Region Europe; Deputy Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe; Director, Assessment Division (N81), Navy Staff, The Pentagon.

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