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## **David R. Clifton**



### **Senior Civilian Advisor Ministry of Interior, Kabul, Afghanistan**



Mr. Clifton has served on the Headquarters Marine Corps Staff since 1998. He was selected to be the Director of the Marine Corps Business Enterprise Office (MCBEO), his current position, in 2004. The MCBEO is charged to coordinate performance improvement necessary to support warfighting excellence. Mr. Clifton is temporarily assigned as an advisor to the Assistant Commanding General for Police Development in the Combined Training Assistance Command, Afghanistan. As the Senior Civilian Advisor to the Ministry of Interior (MOI), Mr. Clifton helps synchronize ministerial development and the effort of over 200 NATO and bi-lateral advisors to the MOI.

Mr. Clifton entered the SES on 6 February 2004 and has a total of ten years civil service as of January 2011.

From 2002-2004, Mr. Clifton served as GS-15, Director, Installation Reform Division, HQMC where he led efforts to improve performance, process, and cost management at 22 USMC installations worldwide. From 1998-2002, Colonel Clifton established and implemented the USMC A-76 Program. From 1995-1998, Colonel Clifton served as the G-8, Marine Forces Pacific, where he was responsible for resource management of Marine Corps operating forces (ground and aviation) and installations in the Pacific region.

Mr. Clifton has served the Marine Corps for 37 years, including active duty from 1973 to 2002, when he retired as a Colonel of Marines. His active duty assignments included: artillery officer, maintenance management officer, coordinator of USMC matters with Congressional Appropriations Committees, coordinator of the DoD Program review process in the Office of Program Analysis and Evaluation, battalion commander, installation commander, and Comptroller.

Mr. Clifton graduated with a bachelor's degree in English from the Citadel and holds a master's degree in human resources management from Pepperdine University, a master's of business administration from the University of New Orleans, and a master's of science in national security resource management from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.