# Defense Secretary Announces Flag, General Officer Nominations

Vice Adm. James J. Malloy speaks to the crew of the guided-missile destroyer USS Farragut in February over the ship's intercom system. Malloy has been nominated to become deputy commander of U.S. Central Command. U.S. Navy/Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Jack D. Aistrup

ARLINGTON, Va. — Defense Secretary Mark T. Esper announced June 9 that the president has made the following nominations:

- **Navy Vice Adm. James J. Malloy** for reappointment to the rank of vice admiral and assignment as deputy commander, U.S. Central Command, Tampa, Florida. Malloy is serving as commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Central Command; commander, 5th Fleet; and commander, Combined Maritime Forces, Manama, Bahrain.
- **Navy Rear Adm. Michelle C. Skubic** for appointment to the rank of vice admiral and assignment as director, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Skubic is serving as commander of Naval Supply Systems Command and chief of Supply Corps, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

On June 4, Esper announced the following nomination:

- **Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Robert F. Hedelund** for appointment to the rank of lieutenant general and assignment as commander of U.S. Marine Corps Forces Command and commanding general of Fleet Marine Force Atlantic and U.S. Marine Corps Forces North. Hedelund is serving as commander of U.S. Marine Corps Forces Command and commanding general of Fleet Marine Force Atlantic in Norfolk, Virginia.