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***FIRST ANNUAL MODELING AND SIMULATION LEADERSHIP SUMMIT  
TO BE HELD IN SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA***

SUFFOLK, VA, January 12, 2006 – The National Training Systems Association (NTSA) will host the first annual Modeling and Simulation Leadership Summit on February, 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at the Suffolk Hilton Garden Inn and Conference Center. United States Congressman J. Randy Forbes will be the event's honorary co-host. The event will address Modeling and Simulation (M&S) issues that affect the Department of Defense, Homeland Security, academia and industry on a national level. The intent of the one day meeting is to gather Modeling and Simulation leaders and decision makers from across the country to discuss the critical issues facing the M&S community of today and tomorrow so policies can be formulated and refined to ensure the nation reaps the benefits promised by the industry.

“We stand at a critical juncture in the development of the modeling & simulation industry. This open leadership forum is designed to be a catalyst to take advantage of the vast potential of the industry both today and in the future,” said United States Congressman J. Randy Forbes.

Mayor Bobby Ralph stated, “The City of Suffolk is proud to host the first Modeling and Simulation Leadership Summit. Over the past five years, Suffolk has emerged as a critical location for the Modeling & Simulation industry and we are committed to supporting and investing in its future growth and development.”

A variety of topics will be discussed in a series of workshop sessions. Each workshop will report out to the large assembled group following the morning sessions, followed by a Roundtable discussion lead by the United States Congressional Modeling and Simulation Caucus and key leaders in the M&S field. Additional information and a registration form can be found on the National Training Systems Association’s website at [WWW.NDIAORG](http://WWW.NDIAORG).

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