Lockheed Martin Executive Named One Of '50 Most Important African Americans In Technology'

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Lockheed Martin Chief Information Officer Joseph R. Cleveland has been named one of the 50 Most Important African Americans in Technology for 2006, in an annual listing selected by eAccess Corp. The seventh annual list was announced Saturday in San Francisco.

Since 1999, the 50 Most Important African Americans in Technology has highlighted the extensive involvement of African Americans in the growth and development of the world's most cutting edge industries. With more than 400,000 workers and more than 2,000 IT businesses, information technology is the largest professional employer of African Americans in the United States.

"We've chosen those persons who exemplify the important role that more than 400,000 African-American IT workers and 2,000 companies play in the growth of the information economy," said John Templeton, president of eAccess Corp., publisher of blackmoney.com and souloftechnology.com.

In addition to outlining the IT strategic direction for the Corporation, Cleveland oversees Lockheed Martin's internal information technology service provider and is president of its Enterprise Information Systems, which is responsible for providing technology-based solutions to the Corporation's businesses.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin employs about 140,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services.

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