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Mr. Tyner has been the Commercial Attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Bogota, Colombia since March 2001. His responsibilities include providing a broad range of customized commercial assistance to American firms interested in entering or expanding their share in the Colombian market. For his important contributions, in 2003, Mr. Tyner was a member of the ITA group awarded the Bronze Award for advocacy and, in 2003 he received the Under Secretary Award for his work in advancing virtual activities at post. Prior to this assignment, Mr. Tyner was a Commercial Officer in Frankfurt, Germany. In Germany, among other accomplishments, he successfully led a new Commercial Service initiative to establish broader commercial contacts, identify new business opportunities for American companies, and increase U.S. firms' participation in small German trade shows. He also received a Special Service Award for his creative marketing of Commercial Service products.

Before arriving in Frankfurt, Mr. Tyner was the Assistant Commercial Attaché at the American Embassy in Madrid, Spain where he achieved an exceptional number of successes in helping American firms enter the Spanish market. Among his many challenging responsibilities in Madrid, he was the Showcase Europe coordinator for Franchise market research and promotion.

Before entering the Foreign Service, Mr. Tyner was a Senior Evaluator with the U.S. General Accounting Office, during which time he spent six years conducting international trade-related studies in Western Europe and Africa. He also held positions with General Telephone & Electronics, and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mr. Tyner received a B.S. in Business and an M.B.A in Management from Golden Gate University in San Francisco, California. He has also served on active duty in the U.S. Navy. He speaks German and Spanish.