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From 1997 to 1998, Dr. Fonash was detailed to support the DOD Chief Information Officer (CIO) accelerate Electronic Commerce. Prior to that assignment he was the Chief, Joint Combat Support Applications Division (DISA). This office was responsible for providing technical integration services to the functional communities and helping transition functional applications to compliance with the standard common operational environment (COE).

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Before entering government service, Dr. Fonash was responsible for systems engineering of international switching and all signaling systems in Eastern Region of AT&T Long Lines. Dr. Fonash was also a Deputy Group Leader for the Planning Research Corporation managing and marketing engineering services to clients. He was a Senior Financial Analyst and Systems Analyst for the Burroughs Corporation (Unisys) responsible for development, modifications and maintenance of accounts payable, production planning, and financial information systems. In this position he prepared forecasts and budgets for the U.S. division of the company.

Dr. Fonash has received various awards; Defense Information Systems Agency's (C3I) Fellowship in 1993; Under Secretary of Defense Award for Distinguished Service 1983; and three Special Act Awards. He also was selected to Outstanding Young Men of America in 1983. In 1999 he was awarded a Performance Award for Superior Achievement. He became a member of the Senior Executive Service in 1998.