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Webster bids farewell to CIA

William H. Webster said goodbye yesterday to employees of the Central Intelligence Agency, saying his four years as director were "a great and worthy adventure."



Webster

The agency "worked hard to build the trust and confidence that was so

badly needed" in its relationship with Congress, he said.

Mr. Webster's four years at the CIA was the fourth-longest tenure of any director. He announced his retirement on May 8. Mr. Webster leaves the post later this month, planning to practice law in the Washington area.

At the ceremony, he was presented the Distinguished Intelligence Medal, the CIA's highest career achievement award.